

1 IN THE HOUSE

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2 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 73

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SECOND LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 Relating to Congressional action
6 reducing tariffs on fish and
7 other seafood products.

8 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA IN SECOND
9 LEGISLATURE, SECOND SESSION ASSEMBLED:

10 WHEREAS, it has been reliably reported that the United States
11 is considering the reduction of tariffs on many imported products;
12 and

13 WHEREAS, the reduction of tariffs must be carefully consider-
14 ed and evaluated so as to obtain the advantages of increased
15 participation in the European Economic Community without causing
16 financial adversity to certain vital industries of the United
17 States; and

18 WHEREAS, the fishing industry of the State of Alaska, with
19 its ready market for salmon, and its newly developing halibut,
20 shrimp, and crabmeat markets will be stifled and all but destroyed
21 by lowering the tariffs on these varieties of seafoods; and

22 WHEREAS, the State of Alaska is presently attempting to
23 strengthen its economic foundations by planning an enlarged fish-
24 ing industry program; and

25 WHEREAS, any new tariff reductions will cause irreparable
26 harm and loss of jobs to a large segment of the population of
27 Alaska and will thereby drain the already tight economy of this
28 fledgling state;

29 BE IT RESOLVED by the Legislature of the State of Alaska in
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1 Second Legislature, Second Session assembled, that any proposal
2 for the lowering of tariffs on any imported seafoods is protested
3 and that it is further respectfully requested that the State of
4 Alaska be consulted before any action on the subject is taken by
5 the United States Government; and be it

6 FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be sent to
7 the Honorable John F. Kennedy, President of the United States;
8 the Honorable C. Douglas Dillon, Secretary of the Treasury; the
9 Honorable Luther H. Hodges, Secretary of Commerce; and the members
10 of the Alaska Delegation in Congress.

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