

1 IN THE HOUSE

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2 HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 17

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SECOND LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Relating to the construction of  
6 bush airfields.

7 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE IN SECOND LEGISLATURE, FIRST SESSION  
8 ASSEMBLED:

9 WHEREAS, the development of Alaska and the well-being of its  
10 population are greatly dependent on air transportation; and

11 WHEREAS, the people of Alaska, realizing the importance of  
12 air transportation, voted in the November 1960 election to issue  
13 \$1,500,000 in general obligation bonds to finance the construction  
14 of bush airfields; and

15 WHEREAS, the population in the area of the lower Kuskokwin  
16 River and the Kuskokwim Bay is growing rapidly, but the productive  
17 utilization of its population and the growth of the economy is  
18 slowed by the lack of air transportation facilities; and

19 WHEREAS, the lack of these facilities results in difficulty  
20 in shipping freight, poor mail service and unsatisfactory personal  
21 transportation, especially in transporting emergency patients  
22 quickly to the hospital in Bethel; and

23 WHEREAS, the people in this area consider that the construc-  
24 tion of bush airfields is the most important public works project  
25 applicable to their region; and

26 WHEREAS, during the fall and spring months the only means of  
27 transportation in or out of the following communities is by air;

28 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives in Second  
29 Legislature, First Session assembled that the Governor of the

1 State of Alaska urge the Commissioner of the Department of Public  
2 Works to construct bush airfields in the following communities;  
3 Kwinhagak, Nunapitchuk, Tanunak, Kwigillingok, and Goodnews; and  
4 be it

5 FURTHER RESOLVED that funds be provided for this construction  
6 from the bush airfield bond issue ratified by the people of Alaska  
7 in the November 1960 election.

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