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1 IN THE HOUSE

2 HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 18

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SECOND LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Relating to highway construction in  
6 Alaska.

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

9 WHEREAS, Alaska is the only state in the Union which has been  
10 excluded from the National System of Interestate and Defense  
11 Highways; and

12 WHEREAS, until 1956 Alaska was totally excluded from federal  
13 highway legislation and is even now included on a reduced basis;  
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15 WHEREAS, as a result of past neglect and discrimination on the  
16 part of the federal government, Alaska now has a wholly inadequate  
17 road net; and

18 WHEREAS, the nation can derive no benefit from the infinitely  
19 rich and varied resources of Alaska without adequate roads to  
20 provide access to them; and

21 WHEREAS, defense is hampered and the nation imperiled by the  
22 absence of transportation routes in a most important part of the  
23 continent;

24 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives in Second  
25 Legislature, First Session assembled that the Congress of the  
26 United States be respectfully urged to appropriate an additional  
27 sum of not less than \$15 million a year for twenty years for the  
28 development of highways in Alaska; and be it

29 FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be sent to

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1 the Honorable John F. Kennedy, President of the United States;  
2 the Honorable Robert McNamara, Secretary of Defense; the Honorable  
3 Rex M. Whitten, Administrator of the Bureau of Public Roads,  
4 Department of Commerce; the Honorable E. L. Bartlett and the  
5 Honorable Ernest Gruening, Senators from Alaska; and the Honorable  
6 Ralph J. Rivers, Representative from Alaska.

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