

1 IN THE SENATE BY SENATORS HOPSON AND McNABB  
2 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 11  
3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA  
4 SECOND LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Relating to the construction of the  
6 proposed Rampart Dam on the Yukon River.

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

9 WHEREAS, it is known that the primary and pressing need of  
10 Alaska is economic development; and

11 WHEREAS, Alaska's economy is now in a period of transition  
12 from one based on construction to one based on the full develop-  
13 ment of natural resources; and

14 WHEREAS, every means available for the economic development  
15 of Alaska must be utilized; and

16 WHEREAS, the economic development of every country, includ-  
17 ing the United States, has inevitably and rapidly followed the  
18 creation of hydroelectric facilities and surplus electric power;  
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20 WHEREAS, one of the greatest, if not the greatest, potential  
21 hydroelectric sites in the world is located at Rampart, Alaska,  
22 on the Yukon River; and

23 WHEREAS, the development of power facilities at Rampart  
24 would greatly enhance the future economy of Alaska, and the well-  
25 being and comfort of its population by providing extremely low  
26 cost power to most of the state; and

27 WHEREAS, the construction of power facilities at Rampart  
28 would not only guarantee the economic development of Alaska and  
29 the comfort of its population, but it would act as a dynamic

1 torch to the entire world to affirm the fact that the American  
2 democratic and free enterprise systems are the most vigorous and  
3 efficient forces existing in the world, and it would further  
4 provide other under-developed areas in the world a living guide  
5 for their own progress;

6 BE IT RESOLVED by the Legislature of the State of Alaska  
7 in Second Legislature, First Session assembled, that the govern-  
8 ment of the United States is respectfully urged to plan and  
9 construct, as soon as possible, the proposed Rampart Dam; and  
10 be it

11 FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be sent to  
12 the President of the United States; the Chairman, Senate Public  
13 Works Committee; the Chairman, House Public Works Committee; the  
14 Chairman, Senate Finance Committee; the Chairman, House Ways and  
15 Means Committee; the Chairman, Senate Appropriations Committee;  
16 the Chairman, House Appropriations Committee; the Chairman,  
17 Senate Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs; the Chairman,  
18 House Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs; and the Alaska  
19 delegation in Congress.

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