

1 IN THE SENATE

BY SENATORS BRONSON, WALSH
AND MCNEES

2 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO.38

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SECOND LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 Relating to extending the jetties,
6 deepening the channel, and replac-
7 ing the dredge at Nome.

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

10 WHEREAS, the communities on the Bering Sea are dependent on
11 the sea to provide them access to other areas of Alaska and the
12 United States; and

13 WHEREAS, these communities have inadequate harbor facilities,
14 which present a danger to navigation and impede the free flow of
15 commerce; and

16 WHEREAS, these communities are economically depressed, par-
17 tially because of additional transportation expenses resulting
18 from their inadequate harbor facilities; and

19 WHEREAS, the city of Nome has been particularly handicapped
20 by the absence of suitable harbor facilities; and

21 WHEREAS, the situation in Nome would be greatly improved if
22 the jetties were extended and the channel deepened to permit
23 deep-sea barges to ply the waters of the channel; and

24 WHEREAS, these improvements would only be beneficial if a
25 properly operating suction-type dredge, which could be used by
26 all the communities on the Bering Sea, replaced the existing
27 38-year old dredge, which serves some purpose as a tourist
28 attraction due to its quaint picturesqueness reminiscent of by-
29 gone gold rush days in Nome, but is no use as a dredge;

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1 BE IT RESOLVED by the Legislature of the State of Alaska in
2 Second Legislature, Second Session assembled, that the Corps of
3 Engineers is respectfully urged to make the following improvements
4 at Nome: first, extend the jetties approximately 350 feet;
5 second, deepen the channel to approximately 8 feet; and third,
6 provide a properly operating suction-type dredge; and be it

7 FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be sent to
8 the Honorable H. H. Buckman, President, and the Honorable Overton
9 Brooks, Member of Congress and Chairman, National Rivers and
10 Harbors Congress, Washington, D. C.; the Honorable Elvis J. Stahr,
11 Secretary of the Army; Lt. General E. C. Itschner, Chief of
12 Engineers, U. S. Army; Colonel Christian Hanburger, District
13 Engineer, Corps of Engineers, U. S. Army; the Honorable E. L.
14 Bartlett and the Honorable Ernest Gruening, Senators from Alaska;
15 and the Honorable Ralph J. Rivers, Representative in Congress
16 from Alaska.

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