

1 IN THE SENATE BY SENATOR OWEN

2 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 41

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SECOND LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 Relating to recommending Kodiak-
6 Aleutian area for the location of
7 a fur seal processing plant.

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

10 WHEREAS, the processing of Pribilof fur seal skins under a
11 contract between the federal government and Fouke Fur Company of
12 St. Louis, Missouri will be cancelled at the end of 1962; and

13 WHEREAS, both the federal government and the State of Alaska
14 have expressed a keen interest in locating a plant for processing
15 this authentic Alaskan fur product within the state; and

16 WHEREAS, the plant should be located in an accessible place
17 in close proximity to the Pribilof Islands, with a readily
18 available labor source, adequate natural facilities such as an
19 abundant water supply to accommodate the needs of a fur processing
20 plant and housing for personnel; and

21 WHEREAS, Kodiak Island or the Pribilof Islands fulfill these
22 requirements; and

23 WHEREAS, the addition of the fur processing plant would
24 greatly aid in reducing within the Kodiak-Aleutian area the high
25 rate of unemployment and impoverished economic conditions
26 particularly among the Native population thus eliminating in part,
27 the necessity for the Bureau of Indian Affairs program to relocate
28 the residents of the Pribilof Islands in other states;

29 BE IT RESOLVED by the Legislature of the State of Alaska in

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1 Second Legislature, Second Session assembled, that the Kodiak-
2 Aleutian area is recommended to the Department of the Interior as
3 the primary and ideal choice for the location of the Pribilof fur
4 seal processing plant; and be it

5 FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be sent to
6 the Honorable Stewart L. Udall, Secretary of the Interior; the
7 Honorable D. Otis Beasley, Administrative Assistant Secretary,
8 Department of the Interior; the Honorable Philleo Nash, Commis-
9 sioner of Indian Affairs; the Honorable Robert L. Bennett, Area
10 Director, Bureau of Indian Affairs; Honorable William A. Egan,
11 Governor of Alaska; and the Alaska delegation to Congress.

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