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IN THE SENATE BY SENATORS BRONSON AND HOPSON  
SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 42  
IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA  
SECOND LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

Relating to the withdrawal of land from  
Naval Petroleum Reserve No. 4 for an  
airstrip at Barrow.

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

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

\*WHEREAS, the city of Barrow on the Arctic Ocean has many  
inhabitants, numerous defense installations, and abundant natural  
resources; and

WHEREAS, Barrow is now accessible by air, by hazardous and  
uncertain trails, or along the coast by a circuitous sea route  
during a few months of each year; and

WHEREAS, air transportation is the main means of transporta-  
tion, and during most of the year, the sole means of transporta-  
tion for the people of Barrow to other areas of Alaska and the  
United States; and

WHEREAS, the people of Barrow consider that the construction  
of a large airfield is the most important state public works  
project applicable to their region; and

WHEREAS, because of the importance of the Barrow area and its  
limited accessibility, the Division of Aviation, Alaska Department  
of Public Works, wishes to construct at Barrow a 4,800 foot air-  
strip; and

WHEREAS, the site for this proposed airstrip is located in

1 Naval Petroleum Reserve No. 4;

2 BE IT RESOLVED by the Legislature of the State of Alaska in  
3 Second Legislature, Second Session assembled, that the Department  
4 of the Navy is respectfully urged to approve a land withdrawal  
5 from Naval Petroleum Reserve No. 4, which would permit the State  
6 of Alaska to construct an airstrip; and be it

7 FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be sent to  
8 the Honorable Fred Korth, Secretary of the Navy; the Honorable  
9 Paul B. Fay, Jr., Under Secretary of the Navy; Captain Kenneth C.  
10 Lovell, Director, Office of Naval Petroleum and Oil Shale Re-  
11 serves, Department of the Navy; and the members of the Alaska  
12 Delegation in Congress.

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