

1 IN THE SENATE

BY SENATOR WALSH

2 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 66

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SECOND LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 Relating to establishing a Voice
6 of America broadcasting station
7 in Alaska.

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

10 WHEREAS, if the ideals on which this country is founded are
11 to survive, they will survive by our persuading men of their
12 truth; and

13 WHEREAS, the United States Information Agency is performing
14 a valuable service to the free world in broadcasting the truth
15 to countries in the Soviet orbit; and

16 WHEREAS, there is, however, no transmitting station in that
17 part of the United States closest to the Union of Soviet Socialist
18 Republics; and

19 WHEREAS, the U. S. Coast Guard Cutter "Courier" which is
20 presently assigned to the Island of Rhodes will be relieved of
21 this assignment in about 18 months at which time a new Voice of
22 America transmitter will go into operation on the Island of Rhodes
23 and

24 WHEREAS, it is desirable and practical for the Voice of
25 America vessel "Courier" to ply the waters of the Bering Sea; and

26 WHEREAS, the U. S. Coast Guard vessel "Courier" could be
27 safely berthed in Port Clarence each winter near the new U. S.
28 Coast Guard station on Port Clarence; and

29 WHEREAS, the establishment of a broadcasting station in
SJR #66 as amended by the House -1-

1 Alaska would enable the United States to reach segments of the
2 Russian people it cannot otherwise reach;

3 BE IT RESOLVED by the Legislature of the State of Alaska in
4 Second Legislature, Second Session assembled, that the Director
5 of the United States Information Agency is respectfully requested
6 to establish a Voice of America broadcasting station in Alaska,
7 giving careful consideration to the possibility of transferring
8 the U. S. Coast Guard vessel "Courier" and its Voice of America
9 transmitting equipment to the Bering Sea at such time as the U. S.
10 Coast Guard vessel "Courier" is relieved from its assignment to
11 the Island of Rhodes; and be it

12 FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be sent to
13 the Honorable Edward R. Murrow, Director, United States Information
14 Agency; and to the Alaska Delegation to Congress.
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