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1 IN THE HOUSE

2 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 20

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 THIRD LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Relating to the restoration of  
6 medical care to owner-operators of  
7 fishing vessels and self-employed  
8 seamen under federal law.

9 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

10 WHEREAS legislation has been introduced and referred to the  
11 Senate Commerce Committee to restore medical benefits to owner-  
12 operators of fishing vessels and other self-employed seamen; and

13 WHEREAS the proposed legislation seeks to restore medical  
14 benefits to working owners and working part-owners who have been  
15 deprived by administrative ruling of medical care in Public Health  
16 Service Hospitals and other facilities since 1954; and

17 WHEREAS it is only equitable that medical benefits be restored  
18 to this segment of the maritime force in recognition of the vital  
19 role it plays in the nation's oldest industry;

20 BE IT RESOLVED that the Congress is respectfully urged to give  
21 favorable consideration to the proposal to restore medical care  
22 benefits to owner-operators of fishing vessels and self-employed  
23 seamen as an equitable action and a forward step towards the re-  
24 vival of the nation's maritime industry; and be it

25 FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be sent to  
26 the Honorable Lyndon B. Johnson, Vice President of the United  
27 States and President of the Senate; the Honorable John W. McCor-  
28 mack, Speaker of the House of Representatives; the Honorable  
29 Warren G. Magnuson, Chairman, Senate Commerce Committee; the

1 Honorable Herbert Bonner, Chairman, House Merchant Marine and  
2 Fisheries Committee; and the members of the Alaska delegation in  
3 Congress.  
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