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1 IN THE HOUSE

BY THE HEALTH, WELFARE AND EDUCA-  
TION COMMITTEE BY REQUEST

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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 56

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

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THIRD LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

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Requesting a review of water and

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sewage works needs for the Native

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people of Nome.

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

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WHEREAS, the community of Nome is in serious need of improved

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community water supply and sewage works facilities and such facili-

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ties are of prime importance to public health and the economic

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development of the community of Nome; and

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WHEREAS, the City of Nome has expended great effort in plan-

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ning and developing the seriously needed water and waste disposal

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facilities and construction will begin on these facilities in the

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very near future; and

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WHEREAS, the total effort of Nome, assisted by federal con-

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struction programs, will still be inadequate to provide facilities

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needed for the entire community of Nome; and

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WHEREAS, the community of Nome has reported by the United

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States Department of Commerce, Bureau of Census, in reports for

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the 1960 census, that 1,608 persons of the total population of

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Nome (2,316 persons) or 69.4 per cent of the population of the

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City of Nome may be classified as Native; and

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WHEREAS, the United States Congress, through Public Law 86-

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121, places full responsibility and authority for the construction

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of sanitation facilities for Indians and Alaska Natives directly

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with the Federal Department of Health, Education and Welfare,

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Surgeon General of the Public Health Service; and

1           WHEREAS, the objective of the Public Law 86-121 program is  
2 to raise the health of Indian and Alaska Native people by improv-  
3 ing the environment in which they live and encouraging development  
4 of a desire and the ability to maintain sanitation facilities;

5           BE IT RESOLVED that the United States Department of Health,  
6 Education and Welfare, Public Health Service, and the Surgeon  
7 General, Public Health Service, are requested to move with dis-  
8 patch in assisting the Native people of the City of Nome to  
9 utilize the resources available to Native people through the Public  
10 Law 86-121 program for supplementation of water supply and waste  
11 disposal facilities essential to public health protection and  
12 economic development of the City of Nome; and be it

13           FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be sent to  
14 the Honorable Anthony J. Celebrezze, Secretary of Health, Educa-  
15 tion and Welfare; the Honorable Luther L. Terry, Surgeon General,  
16 Public Health Service; and the Honorable Doctor Holman R. Wherritt,  
17 Area Medical Director, Alaska Native Health Service; and the  
18 members of the Alaska Delegation in Congress.

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