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1 IN THE SENATE BY SENATOR COGHILL
2 SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 10
3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
4 THIRD LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Relating to the construction of
6 the intended BIA boarding high
7 school at Tanana on the Yukon
8 River.

9 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CON-
10 CURRING:

11 WHEREAS, the Bureau of Indian Affairs plans to construct a
12 high school with boarding facilities at College, Alaska; and

13 WHEREAS, the students who will attend this high school will
14 be taken away from their familiar environmental background of
15 home and village to reside in a completely different community in
16 which they will virtually be kept apart from others owing to the
17 nature of the facilities; and

18 WHEREAS, in the foreseeable future, when the high school is
19 taken over by the state, its attendance policy may be changed to
20 favor the children from the immediate urban areas rather than those
21 of the outlying areas; and

22 WHEREAS, these problems can be overcome by locating the high
23 school in a community that is similar to that from which the
24 children come from and in an area that is immediately served by
25 the school; and

26 WHEREAS, Tanana on the Yukon River is located in a central
27 area from which the high school will get its pupils, has adequate
28 air transportation, housing, public health facilities, and an en-
29 vironment which is familiar to the children to be sent there; and

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1 WHEREAS, the location of the boarding high school at Tanana
2 will also serve to aid the schooling of the small population of
3 non-Native children in the surrounding area who may attend the
4 school under the cooperative educational policies of the Bureau
5 of Indian Affairs;

6 BE IT RESOLVED that the Governor's appointed Board on Educa-
7 tion to Devise an Overall Educational Plan is urged to recommend
8 to the Governor and the Bureau of Indian Affairs that the proposed
9 boarding high school be located at Tanana on the Yukon River; and
10 be it

11 FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent to
12 the Honorable Robert L. Bennett, Area Director, Bureau of Indian
13 Affairs.

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