

1 IN THE SENATE

BY SENATOR COGHILL

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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 10

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

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THIRD LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

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Relating to the construction of

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the intended BIA boarding high

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school at Tanana on the Yukon

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River.

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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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CONCURRING:

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WHEREAS, the Bureau of Indian Affairs plans to construct a

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high school with boarding facilities at College, Alaska; and

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WHEREAS, the students who will attend this high school will

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be taken away from their familiar environmental background of

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home and village to reside in a completely different community in

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which they will virtually be kept apart from others owing to the

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nature of the facilities; and

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WHEREAS, in the foreseeable future, when the high school is

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taken over by the state, its attendance policy may be changed to

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favor the children from the immediate urban areas rather than

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those of the outlying areas; and

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WHEREAS, these problems can be overcome by locating the high

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school in a community that is similar to that from which the

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children come from and in an area that is immediately served by

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the school; and

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WHEREAS, Tanana on the Yukon River is located in a central

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area from which the high school will get its pupils, has adequate

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air transportation, housing, public health facilities, and an

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environment 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 Tanana on
9 the Yukon River be considered as the location of the proposed
10 boarding high school; and 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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