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1 IN THE SENATE

2 SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 10

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 THIRD LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 Relating to the immediate construction
6 tion of the Girdwood-Alyeska
7 access road.

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

10 WHEREAS, the Alyeska Ski Corporation has been attempting to
11 get state action for the construction of 3.10 miles of access
12 road from Girdwood to Alyeska since 1960; and

13 WHEREAS, the need for and value of this access road has been
14 acknowledged by federal and state officials and the road has been
15 officially approved since 1962 as a secondary road of the Federal
16 Aid Highway System; and

17 WHEREAS, the state has continued to delay the planning, pro-
18 gramming and right-of-way action on the Girdwood-Alyeska access
19 road since 1960 and now reports its construction is planned for
20 1965; and

21 WHEREAS, the past delays and the delay of another year have
22 and continue to place a burden on the further development of the
23 Alyeska ski resort and related facilities as a growing winter
24 tourist attraction involving considerable road traffic; and

25 WHEREAS, despite the delays the Alyeska Ski Corporation was
26 able to bring the Olympic Ski Trials to Alaska in 1963 although
27 the lack of a proper access road threatened the success of this
28 major sporting event which gave the state the most effective
29 advertisement of its winter sport potential; and

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1 WHEREAS, the corporation is now negotiating with the Olympic
2 Committee for a major international pre-Olympic ski race in 1967
3 with a commitment that the completion of necessary facilities
4 dependent on a proper access road will be available before that
5 time; and

6 WHEREAS, the vast investment in and the contribution to the
7 tourist industry of state made by the Alyeska Ski Corporation
8 continues in jeopardy because of the delays in programming and
9 constructing the Girdwood-Alyeska access road;

10 BE IT RESOLVED that the Governor is requested to direct the
11 Department of Highways to proceed with the construction and com-
12 pletion of the Girdwood-Alyeska access road in 1964.

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