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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 24

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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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certain facilities at Barrow.

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

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WHEREAS, there is no bridge or land connection from Barrow  
9 to Browerville and the airport northeast of Browerville, so that,  
10 when the stream that divides Barrow from Browerville is impassable  
11 as it often is, it is difficult or impossible for residents of  
12 Browerville to go to work in Barrow, or for residents of Barrow  
13 to reach the airport, disrupting important health services and  
14 imposing an economic hardship on the people of that area; and

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WHEREAS, the Arctic Ocean has worn down the bluff in front  
16 of Browerville, endangering the inhabitants of Browerville and  
17 washing the bed of the road that runs from Barrow in front of  
18 Browerville to the airport; and

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WHEREAS, there is no small boat harbor near Barrow or  
20 Browerville, endangering the lives and property of fishermen  
21 during the frequent storms there; and

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WHEREAS, these problems could be alleviated if the United  
23 States Army, Corps of Engineers, were to take action, as they  
24 have in many other parts of Alaska;

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BE IT RESOLVED that the United States Department of the Army  
26 through the Corps of Engineers, be respectfully urged to (1)  
27 dredge the bed of the stream that divides Barrow from Browerville,  
28 making a short straight channel and a small boat harbor; (2) con-  
29 struct a rough bridge across the channel; and (3) shore up the

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1 bluff from the mouth of the stream to past Browerville, to protect  
2 Browerville and the road running in front of it from the Arctic  
3 Ocean; and be it

4 FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be sent to  
5 the Honorable Cyrus R. Vance, Secretary of the Army; Colonel  
6 Kenneth T. Sawyer, District Engineer, Corps of Engineers, U. S.  
7 Army; and the Alaska delegation in Congress.

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