

1 unique obligation to all mankind to manage these salmon so that
2 the maximum sustained yield may be harvested; and

3 WHEREAS, there exists between the governments of the United
4 States, Canada and Japan an international convention under which
5 a semblance of legality may be ascribed to the Japanese high
6 seas fishery based upon the salmon stocks of Western Alaska; and

7 WHEREAS, the Government of Japan has denounced the principle
8 of abstention to which Alaskans had looked for a favorable solu-
9 tion to the management problem created by the Japanese high seas
10 fishery, and further, has asked for the renegotiation of the Con-
11 vention with the result that meetings have been held in Washington
12 and Tokyo and another is scheduled for Ottawa this spring;

13 BE IT RESOLVED, in order to provide for the conservation of
14 the salmon resources of Western Alaska, for their use in conson-
15 ance with the principles of maximum sustained yield, to avert
16 economic disaster to the once great salmon industry in Bristol Bay,
17 and to provide for the continued protection of the other salmon
18 resources of Alaska, the Legislature of the State of Alaska makes
19 the following declarations:

20 1. That net or long line salmon fisheries on the high
21 seas are opposed.

22 2. That the principle of sustainable harvest should be
23 integrated in the terms of any treaty negotiated at Ottawa, Canada,
24 and be it

25 FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be sent to
26 the Honorable Dean Rusk, Secretary of State; the Honorable Stewart
27 L. Udall, Secretary of the Interior; the Honorable Clarence F.
28 Pautzke, Commissioner of Fish and Game, Department of the Interior;
29 and the members of the Alaska Delegation in Congress.