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1 IN THE SENATE BY SENATORS OWEN, BEGICH, HARRISON,  
PERATROVICH AND KILCHER

2 SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 20

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 THIRD LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Relating to a fishing vessel  
6 construction and operational sub-  
7 sidy.

8 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE:

9 WHEREAS, the Russians and the Japanese, with whom we compete  
10 in the North Pacific fisheries, have built and are now operating  
11 numerous large, modern, and efficient ships for the catching,  
12 processing, preserving, and shipment of fishery products; and

13 WHEREAS, the vessels owned and operated by individuals and  
14 firms in the United States are much smaller, older, and less  
15 efficient than the Russian and Japanese ships; and

16 WHEREAS, this tremendous difference in ships puts United  
17 States fishermen at an insuperable competitive disadvantage; and

18 WHEREAS, a primary cause of the difference between our ships  
19 on the one hand and the Russian and Japanese ships on the other  
20 is the difficulty of obtaining the large amounts of private  
21 capital necessary to build and fit out large, modern, and effi-  
22 cient ships;

23 BE IT RESOLVED that the Congress of the United States be  
24 urged to create a fishing vessel construction and operational sub-  
25 sidy to be used for assistance to appropriate groups to build and  
26 operate competitive vessels, and to appropriate for this purpose  
27 the sum of \$200,000,000; and be it

28 FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be sent to  
29 the Honorable John F. Kennedy, President of the United States;

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1 the Honorable Luther Hodges, Secretary of Commerce; the Honorable  
2 Stewart L. Udall, Secretary of the Interior; the Honorable Donald  
3 L. McKernan, Director of the Bureau of Commercial Fisheries; and  
4 the members of the Alaska Delegation in Congress.

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