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1 IN THE SENATE

2 SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 31

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 THIRD LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Relating to the restoration of
6 medical care to owner-operators
7 of fishing vessels and self-
8 employed seamen under federal law.

9 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE:

10 WHEREAS, S. 978 has been introduced and referred to the
11 Senate Commerce Committee to restore medical benefits to owner-
12 operators of fishing vessels and other self-employed seamen; and

13 WHEREAS, the proposed legislation seeks to restore medical
14 benefits to working owners and working part-owners who have been
15 deprived by administrative ruling of medical care in Public Health
16 Service Hospitals and other facilities since 1954; and

17 WHEREAS, it is only equitable that medical benefits be re-
18 stored to this segment of the maritime force in recognition of
19 the vital role it plays in the nation's oldest industry;

20 BE IT RESOLVED that the Congress is respectfully urged to
21 give favorable consideration to the proposal to restore medical
22 care benefits to owner-operators of fishing vessels and self-
23 employed seamen as an equitable action and a forward step towards
24 the revival of the nation's maritime industry; and be it

25 FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be sent to
26 the Honorable Lyndon B. Johnson, Vice President of the United
27 States and President of the Senate; the Honorable John W.
28 McCormack, Speaker of the House of Representatives; the Honorable
29 Warren G. Magnuson, Chairman, Senate Commerce Committee; the

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1 Honorable Herbert Bonner, Chairman, House Merchant Marine and
2 Fisheries Committee; and the members of the Alaska delegation in
3 Congress.

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