

1 IN THE HOUSE BY MR. MOSES

2 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 7

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 FOURTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Relating to conditions on  
6 the Pribilof Islands.

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

8 WHEREAS there exists on the federal wildlife reservation on  
9 the Pribilof Islands of Alaska a form of bondage of American  
10 citizens contrary to constitutional concepts of government; and

11 WHEREAS this federally sponsored bondage involves the freedom  
12 of assembly, movement, and property of American citizens under a  
13 bureaucratic paternalism incompatible with the rights of man; and

14 WHEREAS this situation has its basis in law (Sec. 6, P.L.  
15 78-237) as administered by the Department of the Interior; and

16 WHEREAS a citizen may not visit other citizens on the islands  
17 without bureaucratic permission in advance and is kept under  
18 surveillance while there if he is allowed to visit at all; and

19 WHEREAS a candidate for and now a member of the Alaska State  
20 Legislature was denied access to the voters of the islands under  
21 these prohibitions; and

22 WHEREAS these and other deprivations of rights warrant in-  
23 vestigation and action on the part of Congress;

24 BE IT RESOLVED that the Congress of the United States and the  
25 Department of the Interior are respectfully and earnestly requested  
26 to amend the law and rules and regulations pursuant thereto govern-  
27 ing control of the islands and the citizen residents thereof to  
28 insure that they receive and enjoy the same civil rights and  
29 opportunities the Constitution guarantees to all citizens; and be it

1           FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be sent to  
2 the Honorable Lyndon B. Johnson, President of the United States;  
3 the Honorable Hubert H. Humphrey, Vice President of the United  
4 States; the Honorable John W. McCormack, Speaker of the House of  
5 Representatives; the Honorable Carl Hayden, President pro tempore  
6 of the Senate; the Honorable Wayne N. Aspinall, Chairman, House  
7 Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs; the Honorable Henry M.  
8 Jackson, Chairman, Senate Interior and Insular Affairs Committee;  
9 the Honorable Stewart L. Udall, Secretary of the Interior; the  
10 Honorable Philleo Nash, Commissioner of Indian Affairs; and the  
11 members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.  
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