

1 IN THE HOUSE

BY MR. POLAND

2 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 37

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 FOURTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Relating to the construction of
6 a breakwater at Kodiak.

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

8 WHEREAS the fishing industry at Kodiak and vicinity has grown
9 in the past decade from a seasonal to an around-the-year multi-
10 million dollar operation; and

11 WHEREAS hundreds of vessels from various ports on the west
12 coast of the United States participate in this abundant fishing;
13 and

14 WHEREAS the growth projections for the fishing industry at
15 Kodiak indicate accelerated growth and expansion during the next
16 decade and thereafter; and

17 WHEREAS the studies made for the present boat harbor at
18 Kodiak did not and could not have anticipated such phenomenal growth
19 and expansion; and

20 WHEREAS the existing boat harbor can afford protection for
21 only a portion of the fishing fleet operating in the Kodiak area;
22 and during the severe storms that are common to this area, many
23 vessels are unable to find suitable protection and are severely
24 damaged; and

25 WHEREAS the extensive amount of damage to fishing vessels in
26 the Kodiak area has greatly increased marine insurance rates and
27 caused economic hardship to the fishing fleets and great financial
28 loss to marine underwriters;

29 BE IT RESOLVED that the Congress of the United States is

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1 respectfully urged to provide funds to enable the Corps of
2 Engineers, U. S. Army, to begin construction of a breakwater at
3 Kodiak; and be it

4 FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be sent to
5 the Honorable Hubert H. Humphrey, Vice-President of the United
6 States and President of the Senate; the Honorable John W.
7 McCormack, Speaker of the House; the Honorable Carl Hayden, Presi-
8 dent pro tempore of the Senate; the Honorable Pat McNamara, Chair-
9 man, Senate Public Works Committee; the Honorable George H. Fallon,
10 Chairman, House Public Works Committee; Lieutenant General Walter
11 K. Wilson, Chief of Engineers, U. S. Army; Colonel Clare D. Farley,
12 District Engineer, Corps of Engineers, Alaska; and the members of
13 the Alaska delegation in Congress.

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