

1 IN THE SENATE

BY SENATOR BLODGETT

2 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 27

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 FOURTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Relating to the need to dredge
6 the Kobuk River.

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

8 WHEREAS, the Kennecott Copper Corporation is developing a
9 large operation on the Kobuk River; and

10 WHEREAS, this mining operation will be of great benefit to
11 the economy of the area and to Alaska; and

12 WHEREAS, it is imperative that this nation's supplies of
13 mineral resources, now and in the future, be augmented by the
14 large deposits located in remote parts of Alaska such as the Kobuk
15 area; and

16 WHEREAS, the river is at present only intermittently navi-
17 gable during a short open season; and

18 WHEREAS, an adequate channel can be developed from the mouth
19 of the river at the Riley Channel to a point 500 yards beyond the
20 mouth of the Ambler River by dredging a relatively few river bars;

21 BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of the State of Alaska
22 urges that the Corps of Engineers be directed to dredge the chan-
23 nel at the earliest opportunity; and be it

24 FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be sent to
25 the Honorable Stewart L. Udall, Secretary of the Interior; the
26 Honorable John T. Connor, Secretary of Commerce; the Honorable
27 Cyrus R. Vance, Secretary of the Army; Lt. General Walter K.
28 Wilson, Chief of Engineers, United States Army; Col. Clare D.
29 Farley, District Engineer, United States Corps of Engineers; the

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1 Chairman of the National Rivers and Harbors Congress Advisory
2 Committee; the Honorable Pat McNamara, Chairman of the Senate
3 Public Works Committee; the Honorable George H. Fallon, Chairman
4 of the House Public Works Committee; the Honorable Carl Hayden,
5 Chairman of the Senate Appropriations Committee; the Honorable
6 George H. Mahon, Chairman of the House Appropriations Committee;
7 and the Alaska Delegation in Congress.

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