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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 Melborn Channel to a point 500 yards beyond  
20 the mouth of the Ambler River by dredging a relatively few river  
21 bars;

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

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

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1 Farley, District Engineer, United States Corps of Engineers; the  
2 Chairman of the National Rivers and Harbors Congress Advisory  
3 Committee; the Honorable Pat McNamara, Chairman of the Senate  
4 Public Works Committee; the Honorable George H. Fallon, Chairman  
5 of the House Public Works Committee; the Honorable Carl Hayden,  
6 Chairman of the Senate Appropriations Committee; the Honorable  
7 George H. Mahon, Chairman of the House Appropriations Committee;  
8 and the Honorable E. L. Bartlett and the Honorable Ernest Gruening,  
9 U. S. Senators, and the Honorable Ralph J. Rivers, U. S. Represent-  
10 tative, members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.

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