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1 IN THE SENATE

2 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 30

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 FOURTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Relating to the contract for
6 the processing of fur seal pelts

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

8 WHEREAS the State of Alaska receives 70 per cent of the net
9 proceeds from the sale of fur seal and sea otter pelts harvested
10 by the federal government in Alaska; and

11 WHEREAS the income from the sale of pelts is of vital impor-
12 tance to the economy of Alaska; and

13 WHEREAS for over 40 years the processing and sale of the
14 pelts has been done under contract with the Fouke Fur Company
15 which has earned world renown for the excellence of its fur pro-
16 cessing; and

17 WHEREAS the excellence of the processing of fur pelts by the
18 Fouke Fur Company has brought premium prices for the pelts with
19 resulting benefits to the federal government and the State of
20 Alaska; and

21 WHEREAS the Department of Interior has delayed in renewing
22 the contract with the Fouke Company and this delay is jeopardizing
23 the economy of the State of Alaska;

24 BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of the State of Alaska
25 respectfully and urgently requests the Honorable Lyndon B.
26 Johnson, President of the United States, to direct the Secretary
27 of the Interior to proceed to renew the contract with the Fouke
28 Fur Company for the processing of Alaska fur seal and sea otter
29 skins before further damage to the economy of the State of Alaska

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1 occurs; and be it

2 **FURTHER RESOLVED** that copies of this resolution be sent to
3 the Honorable Lynden B. Johnson, President of the United States;
4 Honorable Stewart L. Udall, Secretary of the Interior; and
5 the members of the Alaska Delegation in Congress.

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