

1 IN THE SENATE BY SENATORS PETER AND BRADSHAW

2 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 53

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 FOURTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Supporting a Congressional  
6 resolution directing a survey  
7 to determine the feasibility of  
8 dredging a waterway between  
9 Tenakee Inlet and Port  
10 Frederick.

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

12 WHEREAS Port Frederick and Tenakee Inlet on Chichagof Island  
13 in Southeast Alaska are separated at one point by only a low  
14 isthmus less than one hundred yards wide at high water; and

15 WHEREAS a canal through this isthmus would permit the passage  
16 of fishing vessels at all times and thereby eliminate the need  
17 for these vessels to sail through the exposed waters of Icy  
18 Straight and Chatham Straight; and

19 WHEREAS a canal through this isthmus would benefit the resi-  
20 dents of Hoonah and Tenakee; and

21 WHEREAS the 1964 convention of the Alaska Native Brotherhood  
22 has endorsed the construction of this canal; and

23 WHEREAS there is presently in the United States Congress a  
24 resolution approved by the Senate Public Works Committee, direct-  
25 ing the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers to make a survey of the  
26 feasibility of dredging a waterway to connect Tenakee Inlet and  
27 Port Frederick;

28 BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of the State of Alaska  
29 urges Congress to approve this resolution; and be it

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1           FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be sent to  
2 the Honorable Hubert H. Humphrey, Vice President of the United  
3 States and President of the Senate; the Honorable John W.  
4 McCormack, Speaker of the House of Representatives; and the  
5 Honorable E. L. Bartlett and the Honorable Ernest Gruening, U. S.  
6 Senators, and the Honorable Ralph J. Rivers, U. S. Representative,  
7 members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.

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