

1 IN THE SENATE BY SENATOR PETER

2 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 60

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 FOURTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Relating to discussions between
6 the United States and Canada
7 concerning the use of Yukon
8 River waters.

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

10 WHEREAS recent large mineral discoveries and mining develop-
11 ment in Northwest Canada have intensified the need for hydro-
12 electric power at reasonable rates; and

13 WHEREAS a proposed hydroelectric project at Taiya Inlet in
14 Southeastern Alaska was abandoned several years ago because of
15 the refusal of Canadian officials to allow use of the upper waters
16 of the Yukon River; and

17 WHEREAS a recent agreement by the Canadian and United States
18 government on joint use of the Columbia River has indicated a
19 change of attitude on the part of the Canadian government;

20 BE IT RESOLVED that the Honorable Lyndon B. Johnson, Presi-
21 dent of the United States, is respectfully requested to direct
22 the Department of State to enter into discussions with Canadian
23 officials for the purpose of negotiating a mutual agreement on
24 the use of Yukon River waters by both nations to encourage the
25 utilization of the resources of Northwest North America by
26 private industry.

27

28

29