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1 IN THE HOUSE

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2 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 32

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 FIFTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Relating to certain homesteads
6 in the Knik River area.

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

8 WHEREAS the homesteads of Jesse Lee Caudill, Albert D. Frey and Leon R.
9 Walling, in the Knik River area, T17N, R3E, 3M, were first established
10 almost 12 years ago; and

11 WHEREAS substantial improvements, in the way of buildings, wells and
12 clearing, have been made to each of these homesteads; and

13 WHEREAS due to the infuriating and frustrating tangles of bureuoracy,
14 legal title to the lands has not as yet vested in these individuals; and

15 WHEREAS through the deception and the harassment by the government
16 agencies involved, these individuals have suffered financially and
17 emotionally; and

18 WHEREAS the delay in transferring legal title has resulted in extreme
19 hardship and inconvenience to these individuals and is a substantial
20 impediment to the economic development of the area; and

21 WHEREAS the polloy of the state division of lands is to refrain from
22 taking action on these lands until the federal government transfers legal
23 title to Alaska, which has not been done because the required survey has
24 been deferred;

25 BE IT RESOLVED that Secretary of the Interior Stewart L. Udall is
26 requested to direct the Bureau of Land Management in the Department of the
27 Interior to survey these lands and patent them to the State of Alaska
28 immediately.

29 COPIES of this Resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Stewart L.

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1 Udall, Secretary of the Interior; the Honorable Charles H. Stoddard,
2 Director of the Bureau of Land Management; and the Honorable E.L. Bartlett
3 and the Honorable Ernest Gruening, U.S. Senators, and the Honorable Howard
4 W. Pollock, U.S. Representative, members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.

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