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1 **IN THE HOUSE**

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2 **HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 38**

3 **IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA**

4 **FIFTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION**

5 Urging that the Alaska Native Health
6 Service and U.S. Public Health Service
7 facilities in the remote areas of
8 Alaska be made available to all
9 persons in those areas.

10 **BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:**

11 **WHEREAS** the Supreme Court of the United States has recently reaffirmed
12 the rights of all men before the law irrespective of race, creed, color or
13 economic status; and

14 **WHEREAS** the Alaska Native Health Service through its parent organiza-
15 tion the U.S. Public Health Service, provides substandard care in certain
16 bush and municipal hospitals of Alaska for the so-called Native group; and

17 **WHEREAS** particularly in the bush areas a policy of reverse segregation
18 is practiced by denying non-Natives medical, dental and hospital care except
19 under certain conditions;

20 **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Alaska Native Health Service facilities and
21 personnel be made available to all people in Alaska based solely on the need
22 for medical, dental and hospital care; and be it

23 **FURTHER RESOLVED** that the U.S. Public Health Service and the Alaska
24 Native Health Service be required to work with the Alaska State Medical
25 Association, the Alaska Dental Association and the Alaska State Hospital
26 Association and report by January 1, 1968, a plan for implementing this
27 resolution in order that Federal and State Governments make no further
28 incursions into the private practice of medicine, dentistry and hospital
29 administration.

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1 **COPIES of this Resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Lyndon B.**
2 **Johnson, President of the United States; the Honorable John W. Gardner,**
3 **Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare; the Honorable William H. Stewart,**
4 **Surgeon General, U.S. Public Health Service; and the Honorable E.L. Bartlett**
5 **and the Honorable Ernest Gruening, U.S. Senators, and the Honorable Howard**
6 **W. Follock, U.S. Representative, members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.**

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