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1 IN THE HOUSE

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2 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 48

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 FIFTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Relating to the establishment of free  
6 ports in Alaska.

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

8 WHEREAS many of Alaska's ports are so situated as to logically become  
9 of great importance in the future as centers of trade and commerce; and

10 WHEREAS the economy of Alaska would be greatly benefited by an increase  
11 in the shipping trade with other states and foreign nations; and

12 WHEREAS presently vessels are discouraged from entering Alaska ports  
13 because of the custom inspections, embargoes and import duties which have  
14 to be paid; and

15 WHEREAS free ports greatly facilitate export and transshipment, for  
16 vessels can pass into a free port without entry, and goods landed in such a  
17 zone may be stored, inspected, repacked, assembled, or processed pending  
18 sale or transshipment;

19 BE IT RESOLVED that the United States Congress is respectfully re-  
20 quested to permit the establishment of free ports in the State of Alaska.

21 COPIES of this Resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Lyndon B.  
22 Johnson, President of the United States; the Honorable Carl Hayden,  
23 President Pro tempore of the Senate; the Honorable John W. McCormack,  
24 Speaker of the House; the Honorable John T. Connor, Secretary of Commerce;  
25 and to the Honorable E.L. Bartlett and the Honorable Ernest Gruening, United  
26 States Senators, and the Honorable Howard W. Pollock, United States Repre-  
27 sentative, members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.

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