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1 IN THE HOUSE

BY ALL MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE

2 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 58

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 FIFTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 Relating to Native Land Claims

6 Legislation.

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

8 WHEREAS, although the United States Congress in 1884 reserved the right  
9 to make the determination of the extent and nature of the property rights of  
10 the Native people of Alaska, the Congress has not yet made such a  
11 determination; and

12 WHEREAS the early settlement of the claims presented by the Alaska  
13 Native people is of utmost importance to all Alaskans; and

14 WHEREAS passage of legislation is now pending in the United States  
15 Congress to establish procedures for the settlement of these claims and to  
16 authorize grants of lands to Alaskan Native villages to permit them to pre-  
17 serve their homes and way of life; and

18 WHEREAS the Honorable Henry Jackson, United States Senator from the  
19 State of Washington, Chairman of the Interior and Insular Affairs Committee  
20 has scheduled hearings in Anchorage, Alaska, on February 8, 9, and 10 to  
21 permit Alaskans to testify on this important legislation;

22 BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of the State of Alaska expresses  
23 the gratitude of all Alaskans to the Honorable Henry Jackson and the members  
24 of the Senate Interior and Insular Affairs Committee for affording Alaskans  
25 this opportunity to express their views on legislation required to effect-  
26 uate an early and a just settlement of the Alaska Native claims and we do  
27 earnestly urge this committee to take affirmative action to bring about the  
28 speedy enactment of this legislation.

29 COPIES of this Resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Lyndon B.

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1 Johnson, President of the United States; the Honorable Hubert H. Humphrey,  
2 Vice President; the Honorable Stewart L. Udall, Secretary of the Interior;  
3 the Honorable Robert L. Bennett, Commissioner of Indian Affairs; the  
4 Honorable Owen D. Morken, Area Director, Bureau of Indian Affairs; to all  
5 members of the Senate and House Interior and Insular Affairs Committee; and  
6 to the Honorable E.L. Bartlett and the Honorable Ernest Gruening, U. S.  
7 Senators, and the Honorable Howard W. Pollock, U. S. Representative, members  
8 of the Alaska delegation in Congress.

9 COPIES especially directed to Senator Henry M. Jackson, Chairman of  
10 the Senate and Insular Affairs Committee in Anchorage.

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