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1 IN THE SENATE

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2 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 11
3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
4 FIFTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Relating to nuclear testing in
6 Alaska.

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

8 WHEREAS the Atomic Energy Commission has announced that it has
9 received the sum of 26 million dollars for nuclear testing in Alaska; and

10 WHEREAS many residents of Alaska are unfamiliar with the necessity for
11 nuclear testing and the effect, if any, of nuclear testing on plant and
12 animal life in the state; and

13 WHEREAS there has been no concerted effort to date by the federal
14 agencies concerned to inform the people of Alaska on nuclear testing in
15 Alaska or elsewhere and any possible effects, desirable or undesirable; and

16 WHEREAS the Atomic Energy Commission and other related federal agencies
17 have the knowledge and the ability to explain to the people of Alaska why
18 atomic testing is necessary in Alaska and to inform the people of Alaska
19 of any possible effect of the testing or of effects that atomic testing
20 has had in other testing areas such as Nevada and New Mexico;

21 BE IT RESOLVED that the Atomic Energy Commission is respectfully urged
22 to send a qualified representative to the State of Alaska who could, by
23 communicating with the residents of Alaska, answer the many questions which
24 have arisen in the minds of people of the state concerning atomic testing
25 in general, and particularly the proposed testing in Alaska in order that
26 the people of the state are better able to understand the importance of the
27 proposed testing and to be informed about the aftermath of atomic testing.

28 COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Lyndon B.
29 Johnson, President of the United States; the Honorable Robert S. McNamara,

1 Secretary, Department of Defense; Dr. Glenn T. Seaborg, Chairman, Atomic
2 Energy Commission; and to the Honorable E. L. Bartlett and the Honorable
3 Ernest Gruening, U.S. Senators, and the Honorable Howard W. Pollock, U.S.
4 Representative, members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.

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