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1 IN THE SENATE

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2 SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 7

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 FIFTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 Relating to the position taken by the  
6 people of Alaska on the war in Vietnam.

7 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE:

8 WHEREAS America is facing a grave crisis of great magnitude in Vietnam;  
9 and

10 WHEREAS Senator Ernest Gruening of Alaska has written a book, Vietnam  
11 Folly, on the subject; and

12 WHEREAS Senator Gruening writes in that book that "it is the United  
13 States, barging into Vietnam unilaterally and unasked . . . which is the  
14 aggressor,"; and

15 WHEREAS in several other references Senator Gruening charges America  
16 with outright aggression and invasion of Vietnam; and

17 WHEREAS Senator Gruening compares the so-called American "invasion" of  
18 Vietnam to Stalin's invasion of Poland, Czechoslovakia and Hungary; and

19 WHEREAS Senator Gruening alleges that present U. S. policy is "blind,  
20 unproductive, unending and utterly destructive,"; and

21 WHEREAS Senator Gruening's outspoken position will be taken for the  
22 feeling of all Alaskans unless they speak out for themselves;

23 BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska State Senate repudiate these charges of  
24 American "aggression" in Vietnam as false and misleading, and contrary to the  
25 real facts in Vietnam and the real feeling of Alaskans; and be it

26 FURTHER RESOLVED by this august body that the Alaska State Senate go on  
27 record as supporting American soldiers and the American cause in Vietnam, for  
28 as long as the unfortunate conflict continues.  
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