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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 38

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

SIXTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

Requesting the Legislative Council to  
travel to the rural areas of the state.

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

WHEREAS the majority of persons who live in the rural areas of Alaska  
have no direct contact with the elected officials and officers of the  
state; and

WHEREAS the majority of our rural people are not able to travel to the  
seat of government; and

WHEREAS the areas of the state that have the most pressing and immediate  
needs for increased services and facilities of every imaginable type are the  
rural areas; and

WHEREAS few of the elected officials and officers of the state have  
ever had the opportunity or the inclination to make an extensive tour of  
the rural areas of the state in order to meet with our rural citizens "face  
to face" and to observe first hand the intolerable living conditions of  
many of these people; and

WHEREAS it would be an invaluable aid to the Legislature, when passing  
on programs designed to benefit the rural areas of Alaska, to have those  
legislators in leadership positions well informed on the plight of our  
rural peoples; and

WHEREAS it would also be an educational, informative, and enlightening  
experience for persons in the rural areas to personally meet and exchange  
views with those persons holding leadership positions in the Legislature;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature directs the Legislative Council  
to make an extensive tour of the rural areas of the state in order to gain

1 expertise in the problems confronting rural Alaska and to give our rural  
2 citizens the opportunity to meet with and be heard by this group of acknowl-  
3 edged Alaskan leaders; and be it

4       FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislative Council make a full and complete  
5 report of its visit to rural Alaska to the Seventh Legislature, First  
6 Session.

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