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1 IN THE HOUSE

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2 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 13

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SIXTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Relating to extending the territorial
6 waters of the United States.

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

8 WHEREAS a nation which has an extensive coastline has a special interest
9 in the maintenance of the productivity of the living resources in the high
10 seas adjacent to its territorial sea; and

11 WHEREAS a coastal nation also has a vital interest in the protection of
12 the rich and extensive mineral and other natural resources which are con-
13 tained under the seas surrounding it; and

14 WHEREAS, not only the undersea resources of a coastal nation require
15 protection, but also the nation itself requires the protection afforded by
16 extensive territorial waters; and

17 WHEREAS it is in the best interests of the United States to extend its
18 territorial waters considerably beyond the present 12-mile limit in order to
19 safeguard its citizens and its resources from unwelcome and excessive in-
20 trusion;

21 BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska State Legislature respectfully requests
22 the United States Congress to extend the territorial waters of the United
23 States to 100 miles from a base line determined on a point-to-point basis.

24 COPIES of this Resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Richard M.
25 Nixon, President of the United States; the Honorable Walter J. Hickel,
26 Secretary of the Interior; and the Honorable Ted Stevens and the Honorable
27 Mike Gravel, U.S. Senators and the Honorable Howard W. Pollock, U. S.
28 Representative, members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.
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