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1 IN THE HOUSE

BY HILLSTRAND

2 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 90

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SIXTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 Relating to the distribution of the  
6 settlement of the Alaska Native land  
7 claims.

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

9 WHEREAS it is of the utmost importance that in the final extinguishment  
10 of aboriginal rights that the monetary settlement be distributed to the  
11 primary recipients who are the Alaska Natives; and

12 WHEREAS in large settlements of this sort it is inevitable that outside  
13 interests, especially those of a professional nature, will attempt to share  
14 to the fullest extent possible in the new-found riches; and

15 WHEREAS the proceeds of a settlement of this magnitude are also ex-  
16 tremely vulnerable to political influence;

17 BE IT RESOLVED that the Sixth Alaska State Legislature urges that  
18 Congress, in distributing the monetary settlement of the Native land claims,  
19 provide, with strict scrutiny, that the monetary settlement go only to the  
20 designated Native primary recipients, with the exception of reasonable out-  
21 of-pocket expenses and attorneys' fees.

22 COPIES of this Resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Richard M.  
23 Nixon, President of the United States; the Honorable Walter J. Hickel,  
24 Secretary of the Interior; the Honorable Henry M. Jackson, Chairman, Senate  
25 Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs; the Honorable Wayne N. Aspinall,  
26 Chairman, House Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs; and to the  
27 Honorable Ted Stevens and the Honorable Mike Gravel, U. S. Senators, and  
28 the Honorable Howard W. Pollock, U. S. Representative, members of the Alaska  
29 delegation in Congress.