

Original sponsor: All Members of the House

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1 IN THE HOUSE BY THE RESOURCES COMMITTEE
2 SENATE CS FOR HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 111
3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
4 SIXTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION
5 Urging a strong U. S. protest to prevent
6 the imminent invasion of North Pacific
7 salmon fisheries by South Korea.
8 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:
9 WHEREAS reliable evidence through observation, foreign fleet prepara-
10 tion, and foreign sales commitments indicates that U. S. North Pacific salmon
11 resources are in grave danger from major South Korean salmon fishing opera-
12 tions in the Bering Sea; and
13 WHEREAS verbal statements from the Korean government that salmon will
14 not be the intended catch serve as little assurance that our salmon resources
15 will be protected, since similar guarantees in 1969 were summarily broken,
16 resulting in the catch of some 500 - 700 tons of Bristol Bay red salmon; and
17 WHEREAS the Korean government has not indicated that they are planning
18 to take steps to enforce licensing provisions on their fishermen or to
19 invoke significant penalties; and
20 WHEREAS an invasion of these red salmon grounds could seriously endanger
21 the success of the international North Pacific fisheries treaty signed by
22 Japan, Canada, and the U. S., thereby opening up U. S. salmon resources
23 within 12 miles of our coast to Japan, Korea, Russia and any other foreign
24 country desiring to participate in their harvest; and
25 WHEREAS it is believed that the ability of Korea to mount an expedition
26 of the magnitude being planned is made directly or indirectly possible
27 through U. S. foreign aid to Korea;
28 BE IT RESOLVED that the Sixth Alaska State Legislature respectfully
29 requests that the strongest protests possible be made by the government of

1 the United States, including reconsideration of aid and trade policies, to
2 prevent the imminent Korean fishing invasion of U. S. salmon, and be it

3 FURTHER RESOLVED that an attempt be made to obtain an irrevocable
4 commitment from Korea that it will abstain from fishing U. S. salmon in the
5 future.

6 COPIES of this Resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Richard M.
7 Nixon, President of the United States; the Honorable John W. McCormack,
8 Speaker of the House; the Honorable Richard B. Russell, President Pro Tempore
9 of the Senate; the Honorable William P. Rogers, Secretary, Department of
10 State; the Honorable Walter J. Hickel, Secretary, Department of the Interior;
11 the Honorable Warren G. Magnuson, Chairman, Senate Commerce Committee; the
12 Honorable Harley O. Staggers, Chairman, House Interstate and Foreign Commerce
13 Committee; the Honorable John R. Gilbert, President, Association of Pacific
14 Fisheries; and to the Honorable Ted Stevens and the Honorable Mike Gravel,
15 U. S. Senators, and the Honorable Howard W. Pollock, U. S. Representative,
16 members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.