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Today's Calendar

BY THE RULES COMMITTEE
BY REQUEST

1 IN THE HOUSE

2 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 133

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SIXTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 Oposing the establishment of a "nerve
6 gas" storage depot on Kodiak Island.

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

8 WHEREAS "nerve gas" is one of the most lethal and least understood
9 agents developed by the United States; and

10 WHEREAS storage of this lethal agent is with some attendant risk where-
11 ever the site is located; and

12 WHEREAS Kodiak Island in Alaska is one of the most prone areas in the
13 United States to have devastating earthquakes; and

14 WHEREAS the population center of Kodiak Island, the City of Kodiak, is on
15 the north end of the Island and the only potential storage area for
16 "nerve gas" is in some area to the south of the city; and

17 WHEREAS the prevailing wind on Kodiak Island is southwestern thus
18 placing the City of Kodiak downwind from any storage site;

19 BE IT RESOLVED that the Sixth State Legislature urges that any action
20 presently taken to store "nerve gas" on the Island of Kodiak be immediately
21 rescinded and that a more appropriate location for storage be found.

22 COPIES of this Resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Richard M.
23 Nixon, President of the United States; the Honorable Melvin R. Laird, Secre-
24 tary of the Department of Defense; the Honorable John C. Stennis, Chairman
25 of the Senate Armed Services Committee; the Honorable L. Mendell Rivers,
26 Chairman of the House Armed Services Committee; and to the Honorable Ted
27 Stevens and the Honorable Mike Gravel, U. S. Senators, and the Honorable
28 Howard W. Pollock, U. S. Representative, members of the Alaska delegation
29 in Congress.