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1 IN THE SENATE

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2 SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 6
3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
4 SIXTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 Relating to the development of an
6 off-system access road to Wooley
7 Lagoon.

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

9 WHEREAS Wooley Lagoon is a haven for seals and has been utilized by
10 the people of the Western Seward Peninsula and King Island for thousands of
11 years as an important hunting area; and

12 WHEREAS the only means of access to Wooley Lagoon is by boat during
13 the open season and by dog sled while there are favorable sledding condi-
14 tions; and

15 WHEREAS the people of King Island have moved and established themselves
16 in King Island Village at Nome; and

17 WHEREAS these people are now engaged in gainful employment only on a
18 very seasonal basis; and

19 WHEREAS these people have less time to devote to subsistence hunting
20 which is still essential to their livelihood; and

21 WHEREAS the construction of an eight-mile access road from the vicinity
22 of the Feather Bridge or Crevice Creek between Mile 35 and 40 westward to
23 Wooley Lagoon would give the people in the area easier access to this ex-
24 tremely important subsistence hunting and fishing area;

25 BE IT RESOLVED that the Governor is respectfully requested to direct
26 the Commissioner of Highways to proceed with efficiency and dispatch to
27 develop an off-system access road compatible with the needs of the people
28 who utilize Wooley Lagoon.

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