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1 IN THE SENATE

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2 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 34

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SIXTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Urging the passage of S 1026 relating
6 to air traffic control.

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

8 WHEREAS the problems of air traffic control have become critical in view
9 of the rapidly growing number of aircraft that congest our skies daily; and

10 WHEREAS, in order to effectively deal with this serious congestion, it
11 is necessary to recognize the crucial role of the air traffic controller, and
12 to constantly revise and improve the federal aviation laws relating to him;
13 and

14 WHEREAS S 1026 seeks to better achieve this goal by (1) designating
15 different grades of air controllers according to their relative experience
16 and education; (2) providing for specialization and limitation of air
17 traffic functions of controllers to reduce management and administrative
18 problems; (3) establishing certification and rating requirements for safety
19 purposes; and by (4) more equitably distributing flight workloads and en-
20 couraging continuing flight familiarization training, thereby assuring the
21 public of up-to-date skill and proficiency; and

22 WHEREAS, in recognizing that the existing defects are not confined to
23 what occurs above the ground, S 1026 calls for a more equitable salary
24 schedule for controllers, increased overtime compensation, and additional
25 sick leave and retirement benefits;

26 BE IT RESOLVED that the Sixth Alaska State Legislature, in fully ac-
27 knowledging the criticality of the congested air traffic situation, strongly
28 urges the passage of S 1026 at the earliest possible date.

29 COPIES of this Resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Richard M.

1 Nixon, President of the United States; the Honorable Richard B. Russell,
2 President Pro Tempore of the Senate; the Honorable John W. McCormack, Speaker
3 of the House of Representatives; the Honorable John Volpe, Secretary of the
4 Department of Transportation; the Honorable David D. Thomas, Acting Adminis-
5 trator, Federal Aviation Agency; and to the Honorable Ted Stevens and the
6 Honorable Mike Gravel, U.S. Senators, and the Honorable Howard W. Pollock,
7 U.S. Representative, members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.

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