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QUEST OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE  
ON AGRICULTURE

1 IN THE SENATE

2 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 96

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SIXTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 Proposing that the Agricultural Conser-  
6 vation Program be continued in Alaska.

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

8 WHEREAS the Nixon Administration has submitted a budget which will  
9 eliminate the present Agricultural Conservation Program in the United States  
10 Department of Agriculture; and

11 WHEREAS in Alaska, where only one per cent of the farm produce which is  
12 consumed by the state is presently grown here, the existence of the Agricul-  
13 tural Conservation Program is of vital importance to the development of a  
14 stable agricultural industry; and

15 WHEREAS additional farm produce grown in the state is essential to the  
16 welfare and health of every resident of the State of Alaska since, if supplies  
17 were cut between Alaska and the "lower 48", it is estimated that we would  
18 have only a three-day supply of essential produce; and

19 WHEREAS supplies could be cut off in any number of ways, it becomes  
20 absolutely essential that Alaska continue to progress in reclaiming fertile  
21 farm lands from the wilderness;

22 BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska State Legislature urges the United States  
23 Congress to restore funds to the essential Agricultural Conservation Program  
24 of the Department of Agriculture.

25 COPIES of this Resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Clifford M.  
26 Hardin, Secretary, Department of Agriculture; the Honorable Allen J. Ellender,  
27 Chairman, Senate Agriculture and Forestry Committee; the Honorable W. R. Poage,  
28 Chairman, House Agriculture Committee; and to the Honorable Ted Stevens and  
29 the Honorable Mike Gravel, U. S. Senators, and the Honorable Howard W. Pollock,

1 U. S. Representative, members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.  
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