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1 IN THE SENATE

BY THE RULES COMMITTEE  
BY REQUEST

2 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 99

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SIXTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 Relating to federal disregard for  
6 Alaskan sovereignty.

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

8 WHEREAS the Russian tanker, Mozyr, is allegedly responsible for  
9 creation of an extensive oil slick off Marnot Island near Kodiak, Alaska; and

10 WHEREAS the master of the tanker was taken into custody by the U. S.  
11 Coast Guard and delivered to federal officials in Anchorage; and

12 WHEREAS these same federal officials allegedly assured state law  
13 enforcement officials that the master would be held for interrogation by  
14 Alaskan authorities; and

15 WHEREAS the Russian government representatives in Washington, D. C.  
16 apparently paid \$1,500 for the master's release; and

17 WHEREAS the ship's master was then apparently taken from Anchorage in  
18 the middle of the night, returned by the Coast Guard to his ship, and placed  
19 beyond the reach of Alaska authorities;

20 BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of the State of Alaska considers  
21 the federal government's handling of this case arbitrary, capricious and  
22 contrary to the interests of the State of Alaska.

23 COPIES of this Resolution shall be sent to the Honorable John M.  
24 Mitchell, Attorney General of the United States; and to the Honorable Ted  
25 Stevens and the Honorable Mike Gravel, U. S. Senators, and the Honorable  
26 Howard W. Pollock, U. S. Representative, members of the Alaska delegation  
27 in Congress.  
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