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2 HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 8

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SEVENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Requesting the closure of antler-
6 less moose season.

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

8 WHEREAS public opposition and dissatisfaction with regulations which
9 permit the taking of antlerless moose has been increasing; and

10 WHEREAS the intent, biologically, of a more balanced herd fails to be
11 realized when late season antlerless hunts produce a kill of bulls that
12 have shed their antlers, thereby resulting in an overharvest of bulls in
13 that area; and

14 WHEREAS overbrowsing has heretofore been the justification for over-
15 harvest of animals when such a problem rarely exists; and

16 WHEREAS an antlerless moose season serves to eliminate cows but fails
17 to provide protection for calves that are left defenseless; and

18 WHEREAS public feeling and resentment has been mounting to such an
19 extent as to demand action;

20 BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature respectfully requests the Board
21 of Fish and Game to discontinue antlerless moose seasons until December 31,
22 1974 unless the local advisory board for an area advises the Board of Fish
23 and Game in writing that it desires an antlerless moose season in its area
24 prior to 1974.