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1 IN THE HOUSE

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2 HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 13

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SEVENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Relating to the opening of the
6 Whittier Tunnel.

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

8 WHEREAS the opening and paving of the Whittier Tunnel would permit
9 access to the entire Prince William Sound area; and

10 WHEREAS this new vehicular route would tie in directly with the Valdez
11 ferry terminal; and

12 WHEREAS the opening and paving of the tunnel would provide all resi-
13 dents and tourists alike access by vehicle to one of the world's most scenic
14 areas; and

15 WHEREAS the tunnel would appear to be perfectly suitable for at least
16 one-way traffic similar to that used on Highway 16 outside Prince Rupert,
17 British Columbia; and

18 WHEREAS this new route would also open markets for the fresh fish
19 products of the Prince William Sound area to the large population areas of
20 the state;

21 BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska State Legislature respectfully requests
22 the Governor to direct the Department of Highways to conduct, in cooperation
23 with the appropriate federal agencies, a feasibility study of this proposed
24 opening and paving of the Whittier Tunnel for automobile traffic and related
25 access road construction; and be it

26 FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department report its findings to the Legis-
27 lature at the commencement of the Seventh Legislature, Second Session.
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