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1 IN THE HOUSE

2 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 13

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SEVENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Relating to Japanese - American  
6 relations.

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

8 WHEREAS negotiations are currently underway between the United States  
9 government and the Japanese government relating to the return of Okinawa  
10 to Japanese jurisdiction; and

11 WHEREAS Okinawa came under United States control only at the cost of  
12 thousands of American lives; and

13 WHEREAS since the time of World War II the United States has expended  
14 many millions of dollars, all going to the benefit of the people of Okinawa  
15 and

16 WHEREAS the strategic location of Okinawa looms large in the current  
17 scheme of American foreign policy; and

18 WHEREAS the Japanese, although desiring the return of Okinawa, continue,  
19 despite many protests, to take salmon from the high seas; and

20 WHEREAS there is no way to tell out of what watershed salmon caught on  
21 the high seas came, which means that theoretically this Japanese high seas  
22 fishery could conceivably completely exterminate American salmon stock; and

23 WHEREAS in the immediate future the salmon resource will become  
24 increasingly important and needed for sustenance of many peoples of the  
25 world;

26 BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska State Legislature respectfully requests  
27 the President and Congress to agree to return Okinawa to the Japanese govern-  
28 ment only upon their signing of a formal agreement with the United States  
29 to the effect that they will henceforth cease and desist the taking of

1 salmon on the high seas.

2 COPIES of this Resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Richard M.  
3 Nixon, President of the United States; the President of the Senate and the  
4 Speaker of the House of Representatives of the states of Washington, Oregon,  
5 California, and Maine; and to the Honorable Ted Stevens and the Honorable  
6 Mike Gravel, U. S. Senators, and the Honorable Nick Begich, U. S. Represen-  
7 tative, members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.

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