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1 IN THE HOUSE

2 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 62

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SEVENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Relating to the need for increased
6 Coast Guard personnel and equipment
7 at Kodiak.

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

9 WHEREAS it is of vital importance that sufficient personnel and equip-
10 ment be utilized in Alaska for the full protection of our fishery resources;
11 and

12 WHEREAS the United States Coast Guard is charged with the patrol and
13 surveillance of our waters in order to prohibit foreign fishing vessels
14 from encroachment; and

15 WHEREAS the territory that must be covered by relatively few Coast
16 Guard ships and personnel is so vast that the task presently imposes an
17 unrealistic burden on the Coast Guard; and

18 WHEREAS only recently, nine foreign vessels were discovered in a
19 closed area north of Unimak Island; and

20 WHEREAS a number of United States fishing vessels lost thousands of
21 dollars worth of crab pots during this encroachment; and

22 WHEREAS one of the most important of all Coast Guard facilities is
23 located at Kodiak from which thousands of miles of our waters must be
24 constantly patrolled;

25 BE IT RESOLVED by the Seventh State Legislature that the United States
26 Coast Guard is urgently requested to provide additional equipment and
27 personnel to the Coast Guard facility at Kodiak; and be it

28 FURTHER RESOLVED that the additional equipment be at a minimum, composed
29 of an additional cutter of the CONFIDENCE class, long endurance type heli-

1 copters (H 3 type), and electronic surveillance equipped aircraft capable
2 of performing in inclement weather and at night.

3 COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable John A. Volpe,
4 Secretary, Department of Transportation; Admiral Willard J. Smith, Comman-
5 dant, U. S. Coast Guard; Rear Admiral R. E. Hammond, Commander, 17th Coast
6 Guard District; and to the Honorable Ted Stevens and the Honorable Mike
7 Gravel, U. S. Senators, and the Honorable Nick Begick, U. S. Representative,
8 members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.

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