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1 IN THE HOUSE

2 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 107

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SEVENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 Urging the adoption of special fares  
6 for retired persons by all airlines  
7 in Alaska and the Marine Highway  
8 System.

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

10 WHEREAS many people in Alaska have worked many long hard years for the  
11 day when they could retire and spend their time traveling to areas of the  
12 state they may never have had the time or opportunity to visit; and

13 WHEREAS the recent years of spiraling inflation have severely damaged  
14 the financial status of our retired Alaska residents, most of whom must live  
15 only on a small, fixed income; and

16 WHEREAS, because of the high cost of air travel in the state, many  
17 Alaskans cannot financially afford to travel in the state; and

18 WHEREAS members of the clergy, the military, and students all are  
19 entitled to travel on most scheduled airlines at vastly reduced rates and  
20 in Canada retired citizens are afforded the opportunity to travel on air-  
21 lines for half-fare; and

22 WHEREAS, if the current airline rates could be adjusted so that more  
23 of our senior citizens, whose work has through the years aided the social  
24 and economic development of Alaska, could travel in and through their state,  
25 the benefits would be immeasurable;

26 BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska Legislature that all scheduled airlines  
27 operating in or through Alaska are urgently requested to institute half-  
28 fare rates for Alaska residents 65 and older on a space-available basis only;  
29 and be it

1           FURTHER RESOLVED that the Governor is respectfully requested to direct  
2 the Division of Marine Transportation to initiate a program whereby Alaska  
3 residents 65 and older may travel on state ferries for one-half the  
4 passenger fare.

5           COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Secor D.  
6 Browne, Chairman, Civil Aeronautics Board; to all scheduled airlines  
7 operating in or through Alaska; and to the Honorable Ted Stevens and the  
8 Honorable Mike Gravel, U.S. Senators, and the Honorable Nick Begich, U.S.  
9 Representative, members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.