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1 IN THE HOUSE

BY HUBER

2 HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 8

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SEVENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Requesting the establishment of a
6 single oil and gas transportation
7 corridor from the North Slope.

8 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES:

9 WHEREAS the present Alyeska Pipeline route as far as the south bank of
10 the Yukon has been adequately defined and is generally accepted as the most
11 feasible route for pipeline construction; and

12 WHEREAS most environmental studies and all technical studies to date
13 have been devoted to the present Alyeska Pipeline route; and

14 WHEREAS there is extreme concern from various conservation groups that
15 in the future a proliferation of pipelines will occur, particularly across
16 the Arctic National Wildlife Range; and

17 WHEREAS, in addition, the wilderness areas of the Brooks Range cannot
18 tolerate indiscriminate crisscrossing by numerous pipelines; and

19 WHEREAS the single corridor approach encroaches least on Native land
20 use in all arctic and subarctic areas; and

21 WHEREAS, notwithstanding the predominant federal ownership of land
22 along the presently applied for pipeline route, the state has exclusive
23 jurisdiction over land submerged under lakes and navigable rivers, including
24 the Yukon;

25 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives that the Governor is
26 respectfully requested to introduce meaningful priority legislation in the
27 First Session of the Seventh Alaska State Legislature that will prohibit by
28 law the use of any land area for the construction of oil and gas pipelines
29 originating from an area above 67 degrees north latitude, other than a

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1 well-defined single transportation corridor at least as far as the south
2 bank of the Yukon River.

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