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1 IN THE HOUSE

BY THE COMMERCE COMMITTEE

2 HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 9

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SEVENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Relating to satellite communications

6 in rural-remote areas.

7 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES:

8 WHEREAS the most prohibitive factor to present utilization of satellite  
9 communications for rural-remote service is the cost and size of conventional  
10 earth stations; and

11 WHEREAS we currently are technically capable of establishing quality  
12 phone and T.V. service via satellite while using 16-foot and possibly  
13 smaller antenna; and

14 WHEREAS at a given frequency, there is a direct relationship between  
15 satellite separation and the minimum size earth station usable; and

16 WHEREAS enrichment of rural-remote communications is the prime in-  
17 gredient in fulfilling our national unity doctrine;

18 BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska State House of Representatives strongly  
19 urges that the Federal Communications Commission permit adequate satellite  
20 separation for small earth station use in thin market service areas through-  
21 out the United States.

22 COPIES of this Resolution shall be sent to the Honorable William P.  
23 Rogers, Secretary, Department of State; the Honorable Dean Burch, Chairman,  
24 Federal Communications Commission; Dr. Clay T. Whitehead, Director, Office  
25 of Telecommunications Policy; and to the Honorable Ted Stevens and the  
26 Honorable Mike Gravel, U. S. Senators, and the Honorable Nick Begich, U. S.  
27 Representative, members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.  
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