Introduced: 3/17/72
Referred: State Affairs

IN THE SENATE

BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE BY REQUEST

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 24

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

SEVENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

Relating to the upgrading and maintenance of the road from the Steese Highway to Circle Hot Springs.

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

WHEREAS the Circle Hot Springs area is continually attracting more permanent residents and many other persons travel from distant locations to obtain supplies at Circle Hot Springs; and

WHEREAS the Circle Hot Springs area is rapidly becoming one of the major tourist attractions available in Interior Alaska; and

WHEREAS the Bureau of Land Management officially encourages use of various recreation areas in the vicinity of Circle Hot Springs; and

WHEREAS Alaskans and tourists alike are often prevented from enjoying the scenic wonders and facilities of the area due to the deplorable and sometimes impassable condition of the road from the Steese Highway to Circle Hot Springs, especially during breakup periods; and

WHEREAS lack of continued maintenance of this eight-mile stretch of road not only causes uncalled for hardship and frustrations for Alaskans and visitors alike, but courts economic failure for persons and businesses that must rely on a short tourist season for their livelihood;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska Legislature that the Governor is respectfully requested to direct the Commissioner of Highways to take immediate action to upgrade the eight-mile stretch of existing road from the Steese Highway to Circle Hot Springs and to maintain that road on a continuing, matter-of-course basis, especially during the spring breakup period.