

1 IN THE SENATE

BY POLAND

2 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 23

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SEVENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Relating to operations of the
6 sealift command of the United States
7 Navy.

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

9 WHEREAS the United States Navy has announced plans to continue opera-
10 tion of Navy-sponsored ships from Seattle to Kodiak and the Westward; and

11 WHEREAS continued implementation of this program does not indicate in
12 any way an awareness of the needs and requirements of those in Alaska other
13 than the United States Navy; and

14 WHEREAS, if Navy transports continue to operate as planned, all induce-
15 ment for private enterprise to service private needs will be lost; and

16 WHEREAS, even though the Navy has said it is concerned only with the
17 movement of Navy cargo, our commercial carriers desperately need to transport
18 the Navy cargo in order for service from Kodiak to the Westward to be
19 economically feasible; and

20 WHEREAS, in addition to the above, the ultimate result would be to
21 further encourage the foreign harvest of our ocean resources;

22 BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska Legislature that the United States Depart-
23 ment of the Navy is urgently requested to immediately rescind its decision
24 to operate Navy-sponsored ships from Seattle to Kodiak and the Westward.

25 COPIES of this Resolution shall be sent to the Honorable John Chafee,
26 Secretary of the Navy; the Honorable Warren G. Magnuson, U. S. Senator and
27 Chairman of the Senate Commerce Committee; the Honorable Edward A. Garmatz,
28 U. S. Representative and Chairman of the House Merchant Marine and Fisheries
29 Committee; and to the Honorable Ted Stevens and the Honorable Mike Gravel,

1 U. S. Senators, and the Honorable Nick Begich, U. S. Representative members
2 of the Alaska delegation in Congress.

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