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2 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 51  
3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA  
4 SEVENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Requesting the United States Coast  
6 Guard to station fixed wing aircraft  
7 and helicopters in the greater Juneau  
8 area.

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

10 WHEREAS the United States Coast Guard is charged with the responsibility  
11 of conducting search and rescue missions in the coastal waters of the United  
12 States; and

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13 WHEREAS aircraft greatly aid the successful completion of these mis-  
14 sions; and

15 WHEREAS, in the 17th Coast Guard District of Alaska, there are no air-  
16 craft of any sort between the bases at Ketchikan and Kodiak; and

17 WHEREAS search and rescue operations in the greater Juneau area are  
18 seriously impaired by the lack of readily available aircraft; and

19 WHEREAS the rapidly increasing population and the steadily growing use  
20 of small water and aircraft accentuates the need for having search and  
21 rescue aircraft stationed in the area; and

22 WHEREAS the City and Borough of Juneau will make available, if possible,  
23 land for this purpose at the Juneau Municipal Airport or elsewhere on prop-  
24 erty owned by the municipality;

25 BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska State Legislature respectfully requests  
26 the United States Coast Guard to install fixed wing aircraft and helicopters  
27 to aid in search and rescue operations in the greater Juneau area.

28 COPIES of this Resolution shall be sent to Admiral Willard J. Smith,  
29 Commandant, U. S. Coast Guard; Rear Admiral Robert E. Hammond, Commander

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1 17th Coast Guard District; and to the Honorable Ted Stevens and the Honorable  
2 Mike Gravel, U. S. Senators, and the Honorable Nick Begich, U. S. Representa-  
3 tive, members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.

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