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1 IN THE SENATE

BY THE RULES COMMITTEE BY REQUEST

2 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 76 *am*

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SEVENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 Requesting the United States

6 Congress to reject gun legislation.

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

8 WHEREAS the United States Congress has already passed numerous firearms
9 Acts; and

10 WHEREAS these Acts already provide sufficient protection against the
11 criminal element with regard to firearms; and

12 WHEREAS further legislation to restrict the possession of firearms would
13 as a practical matter have no deterrent effect on the acquisition of fire-
14 arms by criminals; and

15 WHEREAS the only result of further legislation in this field would be
16 to greatly inconvenience the lawful citizen and infringe upon his right to
17 bear arms; and

18 WHEREAS the enactment of legislation to restrict the possession of
19 firearms would open the door to a black market in guns, promote graft and
20 corruption, and thus increase, not diminish, crime; and

21 WHEREAS over-reaction to tragic events in this nation often leads to the
22 enactment of poorly considered legislation which does not go to the root of
23 the problems leading up to the tragedy and more often than not places insup-
24 portable burdens on the innocent public at large;

25 BE IT RESOLVED that the Congress of the United States is respectfully
26 requested to reject any legislation which would restrict in any form a per-
27 son's right to possess firearms.

28 COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Richard M.
29 Nixon, President of the United States; and to the Honorable Ted Stevens and

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

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