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1 IN THE HOUSE

2 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 26

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 EIGHTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Supporting HJR 1.

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

7 WHEREAS HJR 1 has recently passed the Congress of the United States;
8 and

9 WHEREAS this resolution calls upon the President of the United States
10 to furnish Congress with his report regarding all funds appropriated by
11 Congress but impounded by the President since July 1, 1972; and

12 WHEREAS the impounded funds were duly appropriated by the United States
13 Congress and there are grave constitutional issues present in the President's
14 decision to impound funds; and

15 WHEREAS, legal issues aside, the impounding has been done in a semi-
16 secret fashion away from the eyes of the Congress and the public; and

17 WHEREAS HJR 1 is an attempt, not to determine the legality of the
18 President's action, but merely to seek a full disclosure of the figures
19 involved and the reasons therefor;

20 BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska Legislature that the President of the
21 United States is respectfully urged to comply with the directive of HJR 1
22 so that the Congress and the public may be fully apprised of the actions
23 taken by the executive branch of government and so that the serious imbal-
24 ance of information between the executive and legislative branches will be
25 corrected in regard to this matter.

26 COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Richard M.
27 Nixon, President of the United States; and to the Honorable Ted Stevens and
28 the Honorable Mike Gravel, U. S. Senators, members of the Alaska delegation
29 in Congress.