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1 IN THE HOUSE

2 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 35

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 EIGHTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Requesting the President to take
6 affirmative action regarding con-
7 struction of the trans-Alaska pipeline

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

9 WHEREAS the recent federal court decision regarding the proposed con-
10 struction of the trans-Alaska pipeline will have the effect of further
11 delaying this vital project for an unknown period of time; and

12 WHEREAS further delay of the beginning of construction will have a
13 devastating adverse effect on all Alaskans and upon the economic viability of
14 the state and all local government entities; and

15 WHEREAS not only will the continued delay of this project adversely
16 affect all Alaskans but it will likewise mean additional hardship and diffi-
17 culties for hundreds of thousands of American citizens and concerns across
18 the United States who are desperately in need of additional energy resources;
19 and

20 WHEREAS the energy crisis in the United States is not just a potential
21 threat but is reality today; and

22 WHEREAS the need for fuel in the United States is creating more of a
23 national emergency with each passing day and construction of the trans-Alaska
24 pipeline at the earliest possible time is of the utmost urgency not only for
25 Alaskans, but for all Americans;

26 BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska Legislature that the President of the United
27 States is urgently requested to immediately take affirmative action by recog-
28 nizing and formally declaring that a national energy crisis is present in the
29 United States and to exercise all powers and prerogatives at his disposal

1 culminating in a presidential directive that construction of the trans-Alaska
2 pipeline begin immediately.

3 COPIES of this Resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Richard M.
4 Nixon, President of the United States; and to the Honorable Ted Stevens
5 and the Honorable Mike Gravel, U. S. Senators, members of the Alaska delega-
6 tion in Congress.

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