

1 IN THE HOUSE

BY BANFIELD

2 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 50

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 EIGHTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Relating to the proposed closing of
6 the Point Retreat, Eldred Rock and
7 Cape Spencer light stations.

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

9 WHEREAS the United States Coast Guard has proposed the closing of the
0 Point Retreat, Eldred Rock and Cape Spencer light stations; and

1 WHEREAS these light stations are located in inland waters and are
2 relied on heavily by vast numbers of mariners; and

3 WHEREAS these stations are equally beneficial and important to all of
4 the varying watercraft plying these inland waters including those in the
5 fishing, shipping and towing industries; and

6 WHEREAS unmanned light stations would constitute a hazard for the many
7 craft without radar; and

8 WHEREAS mariners currently rely heavily on the "on the spot" weather
9 reports which daily emanate from these three stations and such weather reports
0 would also be eliminated by the closure of these stations;

1 BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska Legislature that it registers its most
2 vigorous protest against the proposed closing of the manned light stations
3 at Point Retreat, Eldred Rock and Cape Spencer in Southeast Alaska and urges
4 the immediate cancellation of all such orders or plans.

5 COPIES of this Resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Claude Brinegar,
6 Secretary, Department of Transportation; Roy L. Ash, Director, Office of
7 Management and Budget, Admiral Chester R. Bender, Commander, United States
8 Coast Guard; and to the Honorable Ted Stevens and the Honorable Mike Gravel,
9 U. S. Senators, and the Honorable Don Young, U. S. Representative, members

1 of the Alaska delegation in Congress.

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