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1 IN THE HOUSE

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2 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 80

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 EIGHTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 Urging support of S. 1988.

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

7 WHEREAS there is pending before the Congress of the United States
8 S. 1988 which would, if enacted, extend the United States contiguous fishing
9 zone and also its jurisdiction of anadromous fish to approximately 200 miles;
10 and

11 WHEREAS ample evidence exists that valuable coastal and anadromous
12 species of fish and marine life off the shores of the United States, and
13 especially those of Alaska, are in danger of being deflated; and

14 WHEREAS this tragic fact is due in large part to foreign fishing efforts
15 beyond the existing 12-mile fisheries zone; and

16 WHEREAS international negotiations have thus far proved incapable of
17 obtaining timely agreement on the protection and conservation of threatened
18 species of fish and marine life, and there appears little likelihood that
19 any such negotiations will bear fruit any time in the near future; and

20 WHEREAS the current circumstances make it almost impossible for the
21 State of Alaska to realistically plan for and manage conservation of its
22 marine resources, especially that of its anadromous fish;

23 BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska State Legislature that it respectfully
24 urges the United States Congress to enact S. 1988 at the earliest possible
25 time so that the entire domestic fishing industry of the United States, as
26 well as that of Alaska may be protected and conserved to the greatest extent
27 possible.

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

1 Secretary, Department of State; the Honorable Fredrick B. Dent, Secretary,
2 Department of Commerce; the Honorable Warren G. Magnuson, Chairman, Senate
3 Commerce Committee; the Honorable Leonor K. Sullivan, Chairman, House
4 Merchant Marine and Fisheries Committee; and to the Honorable Ted Stevens
5 and the Honorable Mike Gravel, U. S. Senators, and the Honorable Don Young,
6 U. S. Representative, members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.

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