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2 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 86

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 EIGHTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 Relating to certain water resource
6 development projects in certain areas
7 of rural Alaska.

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

9 WHEREAS, under authority of section 103 of the River and Harbor Act of
10 1962, as amended, the United States Army Corps of Engineers has the authority
11 to develop and construct small shore and beach restoration and protection
12 projects that have not previously been authorized by Congress; and

13 WHEREAS, under authority of the 1948 Flood Control Act, as amended by
14 section 205 of the 1962 Flood Control Act, the United States Army Corps of
15 Engineers has the authority to construct small flood control projects not
16 previously authorized by Congress; and

17 WHEREAS there are many communities in rural Alaska which are in dire
18 need of the assistance that the Corps of Engineers could provide under the
19 authority granted by the River and Harbor Act, as well as the Flood Control
20 Act; and

21 WHEREAS the Corps of Engineers has never had a project, to date, above
22 the 66th parallel;

23 BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska State Legislature that the United States
24 Army Corps of Engineers is urgently requested to immediately initiate the
25 necessary feasibility studies and take all other administrative action neces-
26 sary to the commencement at the earliest possible time of beach and shore
27 restoration projects and the construction of small flood control projects
28 vitally needed for the Alaska communities of Ambler, Buckland, Deering,
29 Kiana, Kivalina, Kobuk, Kaktovik, Barrow, Selawik, Noorvik, Wainwright,

1 Shungnak, Point Hope, Point Lay, Noatak, Shishmaref, and Kotzebue.

2 COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable John Warner,
3 Secretary of the Army; Lieutenant General William C. Gribble, Chief of
4 Engineers, and Colonel Charles E. Debelius, Alaska District Engineer,
5 Corps of Engineers; and to the Honorable Ted Stevens and the Honorable Mike
6 Gravel, U. S. Senators, and the Honorable Don Young, U. S. Representative,
7 members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.