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1 IN THE SENATE BY THE FREE CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

2 FREE CONFERENCE CS FOR SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 41

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 EIGHTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Supporting reconstruction of the
6 Copper River Highway.

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

8 WHEREAS a lawsuit seeking to block reconstruction of the Copper River
9 Highway has recently been filed by two environmentalist groups; and

10 WHEREAS the highway, which had large portions of it destroyed in the
11 1964 earthquake, is to link Cordova with the Richardson Highway and most
12 Alaskan points through the Copper River Valley; and

13 WHEREAS the federal government has already appropriated twenty-two
14 million dollars for reconstruction of the highway; and

15 WHEREAS it is the goal of the state to provide the transportation facil-
16 ities that the people of the state want, need, and desire; and

17 WHEREAS the state has pledged to resist this latest attempt to stifle
18 any project which would enhance the social and economic well-being of the
19 State of Alaska and its citizens; and

20 WHEREAS the state's position is that all laws and regulations related to
21 the reconstruction of the highway have been complied with and delay in the
22 project can do nothing but frustrate the desire of Alaskans to have viable
23 and economic transportation systems;

24 BE IT RESOLVED by the Legislature that it expresses its strong support
25 for the state's position in this matter and urges the administration to
26 utilize its resources to the fullest extent in preventing the further delay
27 of the reconstruction of the Copper River Highway.

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