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1 IN THE HOUSE

BY THE STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

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SENATE CS FOR HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 56

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

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NINTH LEGISLATURE -- SECOND SESSION

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Relating to the closure of small post

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offices.

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

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WHEREAS the post office is the hub of community activity in small towns

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throughout the country and especially in Alaska; and

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WHEREAS the United States Postal Service has moved to close 12,000 of

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the 18,290 third and fourth class post offices in the country; and

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WHEREAS 163 of the 194 post offices in Alaska are third or fourth class,

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three of which have already been closed; and

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WHEREAS closures have been proposed without due regard to their impact,

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the distance to other facilities, or other relevant factors besides profita-

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bility;

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BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska State Legislature that the Honorable

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Benjamin Bailar, Postmaster General of the United States, is urgently re-

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quested to reconsider his decision to close these small post offices and that

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the Congress of the United States is respectfully requested to take necessary

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action, including passage of a measure similar to S. 2962 which would return

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the authorization and control of the postal service to Congress, to insure

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that such damaging curtailments in service do not occur now or in the future.

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COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Gerald Ford,

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President of the United States; the Honorable Benjamin Bailar, Postmaster

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General; Mr. Henry Pratt; the Honorable Gale McGee, Chairman, U. S. Senate

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Post Office and Civil Service Committee; the Honorable David Henderson,

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Chairman, U. S. House of Representatives Committee on Post Office and Civil

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Service; and the Honorable Mike Gravel, the Honorable Ted Stevens, and the

1 Honorable Don Young, members of the Alaska delegation in Congress; and Mr.  
2 Ivan Hanson, District Manager, U. S. Postal Service.

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