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1 IN THE SENATE

2 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 25

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 NINTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Urging support of S. 961 and H.R. 200.

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

7 WHEREAS there are pending before the Congress of the United States
8 S. 961 and H.R. 200 which would, if enacted, extend the United States contigu-
9 ous fishing zone and also its jurisdiction of anadromous fish to approximately
10 200 miles; 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 destroyed; and

14 WHEREAS this tragic fact is due in large part to foreign fishing efforts
15 beyond the existing twelve-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 any
19 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 plan realistically 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 legislation similar to S. 961 by
25 Senator Magnuson and H.R. 200 by Representative Dingell, at the earliest
26 possible time so that the entire domestic fishing industry of the United
27 States, as well as that of Alaska, may be protected and conserved to the
28 greatest extent possible; and be it

29 FURTHER RESOLVED that the United States Congress is urged to amend that

1 legislation to provide that the contiguous fisheries zone shall be measured
2 by applying, where applicable, the straight-baseline concept in Alaska.

3 COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Gerald R. Ford,
4 President of the United States; the Honorable Henry Kissinger, Secretary,
5 Department of State; the Honorable Frederick B. Dent, Secretary, Department
6 of Commerce; the Honorable Warren G. Magnuson, Chairman, Senate Commerce
7 Committee; the Honorable John D. Dingell, U. S. Representative; the Honorable
8 Leonor K. Sullivan, Chairman, House Merchant Marine and Fisheries Committee;
9 and to the Honorable Ted Stevens and the Honorable Mike Gravel, U. S. Senators,
10 and the Honorable Don Young, U. S. Representative, members of the Alaska
11 delegation in Congress.

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