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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

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TENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

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Urging environmental defense of the Arctic

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National Wildlife Range.

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

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WHEREAS the Arctic National Wildlife Range, established in 1960 by

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Public Land Order, is one of the most superb examples of arctic wilderness

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remaining in North America; and

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WHEREAS, aside from its great scenic beauty, the Wildlife Range presents

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an impressive variety of wildlife, including nesting and resting areas for

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waterfowl and calving areas for the massive porcupine caribou herd which

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migrates there every spring; and

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WHEREAS assuring that the habitat is left in its natural and undisturbed

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state is the most crucial key to the survival of the wildlife there; and

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WHEREAS commercial development along the arctic slope and within the

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range will have detrimental and long-lasting effects on the environment there

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and violate the principal purpose for establishment of the National Range;

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BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska State Legislature respectfully requests

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the President of the United States to take whatever measures necessary to

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assure the protection of the integrity of the Arctic National Wildlife Range,

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so that it is not opened to commercial development; and be it

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FURTHER RESOLVED that Congress is urged to support the protection of the

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existing Arctic National Wildlife Range, keeping environmental values there

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intact, and reserving it from commercial development.

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COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Jimmy Carter,

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President of the United States; the Honorable Henry M. Jackson, Chairman, Sen-

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ate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources; the Honorable Morris K. Udall,

1 Chairman, House Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs; and to the Honorable  
2 Ted Stevens and the Honorable Mike Gravel, U.S. Senators, and the Honorable  
3 Don Young, U.S. Representative, members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.

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