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BY THE LABOR AND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 110

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

Urging expeditious resolution of the labor dispute between Wien Air Alaska, Inc., and its pilots.

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

WHEREAS concern for the welfare of Alaskans is ever of paramount importance to members of the Alaska legislature; and

WHEREAS labor disputes invariably impose undesirable hardships on both employee groups and corporate management; and

WHEREAS the year-long confrontation involving senior pilots of Wien Air Alaska and the company has resulted in the pilots' replacement by outsiders, thereby adversely impacting the Alaskan job market; and

WHEREAS the strike continues to pose a serious dilemma for travelers who object to riding the monopoly routes of an airline that is the subject of strike action, and the continuance of the strike works generally against the best interests of the citizens of the state; and

WHEREAS resolutions adopted by the Association of Village Council Presidents, the Alaska Federation of Natives, AFL-CIO Councils, and pleas from the public sector for the resumption of negotiations between the parties have been unsuccessful in returning the parties to the bargaining table; and

WHEREAS the much publicized and critical issue of the strike, the matter of crew complement on the airline's jet aircraft, can be resolved by a panel of neutral arbitrators;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska State Legislature that it urges the striking pilots and the management of Wien Air Alaska to resume negotiations as soon as possible, agreeing to submit the apparently unresolvable issue of

crew complement to binding arbitration; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that the governor do all within the broad powers given the executive of the state to encourage action by which to resolve the labor dispute.