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1 IN THE SENATE

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2 SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 16 am

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Requesting the Governor to direct the
6 Department of Transportation and
7 Public Facilities to conduct a feasi-
8 bility study for the construction of
9 a runway at Barrow.

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

11 WHEREAS the lack of an existing road system in Barrow means that air
12 freight is the only viable method of delivering food and other goods to the
13 citizens of Barrow; and

14 WHEREAS severe weather and ice conditions restrict the ability to
15 deliver freight by surface transportation to Barrow, and these conditions
16 often result in the delivery by surface transportation only once in a year;
17 and

18 WHEREAS the difficulties presented by long periods without the delivery
19 of any freight could be ameliorated by the delivery of greater amounts of
20 freight at a time; and

21 WHEREAS the delivery of greater amounts of freight at a time would
22 require the use of larger planes; and

23 WHEREAS the present runway in Barrow is insufficient to handle larger
24 airplanes;

25 BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska State Legislature that the Governor is
26 respectfully requested to direct the Department of Transportation and Public
27 Facilities to conduct a feasibility study for the construction of a new
28 10,000 foot runway at Barrow or for the expansion of the present runway at
29 Barrow.