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1 IN THE SENATE

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2 SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 15

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Relating to the exploration and  
6 development of Beaufort Sea oil and  
7 gas.

8 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE:

9 WHEREAS Governor Jay Hammond has announced the state's intention to hold  
10 an oil and gas lease sale in the offshore Beaufort Sea in December, 1979; and

11 WHEREAS the State of Alaska has entered into a tentative agreement with  
12 the federal government providing that state and federal leases in the Beaufort  
13 Sea will be offered simultaneously in a joint sale; and

14 WHEREAS the Beaufort Sea is likely to contain hydrocarbons needed by the  
15 United States to enhance its energy self-sufficiency and national security;  
16 and

17 WHEREAS exploration and development of state land in the Beaufort Sea  
18 will provide income to the state that can be used for the benefit of all its  
19 citizens; and

20 WHEREAS the state desires to maximize its income from the exploration  
21 and development of its nonrenewable resources, and to receive the fair market  
22 value for them;

23 BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska State Senate respectfully advises the  
24 Governor that it supports oil and gas exploration and development in the  
25 Beaufort Sea that will benefit both national and state interests.

26 COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Jimmy Carter,  
27 President of the United States; the Honorable James R. Schlesinger, Secretary  
28 of Energy; the Honorable Cecil D. Andrus, Secretary of the Interior; the  
29 Honorable Juanita M. Kreps, Secretary of Commerce; the Honorable Eben Hopson,

1 Mayor of the North Slope Borough; and the city councils of Barrow, Kaktovik,  
2 and Nuiqsut.

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