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2 SPONSOR SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 73

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 TWELFTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 Requesting the President of the
6 United States to propose a freeze on
7 nuclear weapons and nuclear disarmament by all nations.

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

10 WHEREAS the United States and the Soviet Union have sufficient nuclear
11 weapons to destroy each other several times; and

12 WHEREAS the Reagan Administration is pursuing a policy of continuing the
13 nuclear arms race with the Soviet Union and is not seeking policy alternatives; and

14 WHEREAS the continuing development and proliferation of nuclear weapons
15 increases the likelihood of nuclear accidents and nuclear war; and

16 WHEREAS a nuclear confrontation would have disastrous results for people
17 of all nations; and

18 WHEREAS the escalation of the nuclear arms race by the United States and
19 the Soviet Union at ever-increasing human and financial costs maintains the
20 balance of power, but does not contribute to national security; and

21 WHEREAS the burgeoning defense budget required for production and deployment
22 of nuclear weapons increases the United States budget deficit;

23 BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska State Legislature that the President of the
24 United States is respectfully requested to propose to the Soviet Union and
25 other nations

26 (1) a mutual freeze on the testing, production, and deployment of
27 nuclear weapons and of missiles, watercraft, and aircraft designed primarily
28 to deliver nuclear weapons;

1 (2) verification safeguards for the freeze that are satisfactory
2 to all parties; and

3 (3) eventual nuclear disarmament by all nations; and be it

4 FURTHER RESOLVED that the Alaska Delegation in Congress is respectfully
5 requested to urge President Reagan to make the proposals requested in this
6 resolution.

7 COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Ronald Reagan,
8 President of the United States; and the Honorable Ted Stevens and the
9 Honorable Frank Murkowski, U.S. Senators, and the Honorable Don Young, U.S.
10 Representative, members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.

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