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1 IN THE HOUSE

2 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 80

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 TWELFTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 Inviting the Yukon Territory Legisla-
6 tive Assembly and the Council of
7 Northwest Territories to meet with
8 the Alaska State Legislature.

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

10 WHEREAS the Yukon Territory and Northwest Territories are neighbors
11 (neighbours) of the State of Alaska; and

12 WHEREAS the physical, cultural, and political climates of these neighbors
13 (neighbours) are similar to those of Alaska; and

14 WHEREAS we share common problems of remote federal governing of our
15 affairs; and

16 WHEREAS we face similar obstacles in the development of our resources;
17 and

18 WHEREAS we share common problems and opportunities in transportation
19 systems, including the proposed extension of rail service between Alaska and
20 British Columbia and the proposed Alaska Highway natural gas pipeline; and

21 WHEREAS existing transportation systems interconnect Alaska, the Yukon
22 Territory, and the Northwest Territories; and

23 WHEREAS several fish and game species migrate across the border between
24 Alaska and the Yukon Territory, resulting in difficult management issues,
25 especially for salmon and caribou; and

26 WHEREAS the United States and Canadian governments are currently nego-
27 tiating a treaty concerning the Porcupine caribou herd that would impact
28 local management of game in Alaska, the Yukon, and the Northwest Territories;
29 and

1 WHEREAS athletes from the Yukon Territory, the Northwest Territories,
2 and the State of Alaska will gather March 13 - 15 in Fairbanks for the Arctic
3 Winter Games;

4 BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska State Legislature extends a cordial
5 invitation to the members of the Yukon Territory Legislative Assembly and the
6 Council of Northwest Territories to meet March 8 - 13 in Juneau, Alaska with
7 members of the Alaska State Legislature concerning issues of mutual interest;
8 and be it

9 FURTHER RESOLVED that the Alaska State Legislature extends a cordial
10 invitation to the members of the Yukon Territory Legislative Assembly and the
11 Council of Northwest Territories to attend the Arctic Winter Games March 13 -
12 15 in Fairbanks, Alaska.

13 COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to the members of the Yukon
14 Territory Legislative Assembly, the Council of Northwest Territories, and the
15 Arctic Winter Games Committee.

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