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Referred: Community &  
Regional Affairs

1 IN THE SENATE

BY THE COMMUNITY AND  
REGIONAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

2 SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 16 am  
3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA  
4 TWELFTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Relating to annexation to the City  
6 of Nome.

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

8 WHEREAS the City of Nome petitioned the commissioner of community and  
9 regional affairs for annexation of 235.65 square miles to the City of Nome;  
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11 WHEREAS the commissioner of community and regional affairs recommended  
12 to the Local Boundary Commission annexation of 14.5 square miles to the City  
13 of Nome; and

14 WHEREAS the Local Boundary Commission recommended in its report to the  
15 Twelfth Legislature the annexation of 17.83 square miles to the City of  
16 Nome; and

17 WHEREAS the Twelfth Legislature, by its adoption of Senate Joint Reso-  
18 lution No. 16, has disapproved the annexation recommended by the Local  
19 Boundary Commission; and

20 WHEREAS, after opportunity for public comment, it appears that a plan  
21 for providing city services to the area which was proposed to be annexed was  
22 not available for public review and comment; and

23 WHEREAS there is evidence in the record that population growth and  
24 development are occurring in the area which was proposed to be annexed; and

25 WHEREAS the population growth and development have created a situation  
26 which allegedly endangers the public health and requires that certain city  
27 services be provided; and

28 WHEREAS city services are presently extended outside existing city  
29 boundaries without commensurate tax contributions;

1 BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska State Legislature that the Governor is  
2 respectfully requested to direct the commissioner of community and regional  
3 affairs to immediately

4 (1) work with the appropriate departments of state government,  
5 the City of Nome, the Sitnasuak Native Corporation, the Bering Straits  
6 Native Corporation, and private landowners to develop a mutually acceptable  
7 plan for annexation of the area as well as other alternatives to meet the  
8 public needs;

9 (2) work with the City of Nome and residents of the area proposed  
10 to be annexed to examine alternatives and the impact of services to be  
11 provided to the area, including but not limited to,

12 (A) staged annexation by which an area would be annexed to  
13 match the timing of extension of city services;

14 (B) annexation, with a city plan for providing services  
15 based on differential tax zones for the level of services provided;

16 (C) any other method of providing city services throughout  
17 the area proposed to be annexed;

18 (3) convene one or more public meetings with interested residents  
19 of the area proposed to be annexed to ascertain the nature and degree of  
20 services essential to the area, and to review information on costs and  
21 benefits of the various alternatives for delivering services to the area;

22 (4) evaluate, after consultation with the City of Nome, the  
23 alternatives for annexation and recommend a plan of implementation; and

24 (5) transmit a report to the City of Nome and to the Second  
25 Session of the Twelfth Legislature by January 31, 1982.

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