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1 IN THE HOUSE

2 HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 10

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 THIRTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Relating to access to Whittier, Alaska.

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

7 WHEREAS there are a number of places along the railbed of the Alaska
8 Railroad that are paved for temporary use by automobiles when snowslides
9 cover the Seward Highway, making it impassable; and

10 WHEREAS a significant number of people seek access to Whittier,
11 Alaska, and access is limited to service on the Alaska Railroad; and

12 WHEREAS the railroad service to and from Whittier is inadequate or
13 inconvenient and a significant number of people would prefer to drive to
14 and from Whittier;

15 BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska State Legislature that the Governor is
16 respectfully requested to direct the Department of Transportation and
17 Public Facilities to study the paving of the Whittier railroad tunnel for
18 vehicular traffic and to enter into negotiations with the Alaska Railroad
19 for the acquisition of right-of-way privileges to permit use of the right-
20 of-way for vehicular access to Whittier, Alaska.