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1 IN THE HOUSE

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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 27

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

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THIRTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

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Relating to health care delivery to

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non-Native dependents by the United

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States Public Health Service.

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

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WHEREAS Public Law 97-394, making appropriations for the Department of

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Interior, was signed by the President of the United States in December 30,

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1982; and

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WHEREAS Public Law 97-394 restricts the health care services that may

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be provided to non-Native dependents of Alaska Natives by the Indian Health

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Service; and

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WHEREAS Public Law 97-394 became effective immediately and had an

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immediate and adverse effect on health care planning for Native Alaskans

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and their non-Native dependents;

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BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska State Legislature respectfully requests

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that the United States Congress suspend for a period of sixty days the

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provisions of Public Law 97-394 that restrict the health care services that

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may be provided to non-Native dependents of Alaska Natives by the Indian

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Health Service, so that these dependents may have an adequate opportunity

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to find alternative health care; and be it

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FURTHER RESOLVED that the United States Congress is respectfully

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requested to require the Indian Health Service to provide 60 days notice to

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persons whose eligibility for health care services is to be curtailed or

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eliminated, so that those persons may have an adequate opportunity to find

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alternative health care.

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COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Edward N.

1 Brandt, Jr., Surgeon General, United States Public Health Service; and to
2 the Honorable Ted Stevens and the Honorable Frank Murkowski, U.S. Senators,
3 and the Honorable Don Young, U.S. Representative, members of the Alaska
4 delegation in Congress.