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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 7

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

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THIRTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

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Encouraging the extension of a four-lane

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highway from the south end of Eklutna

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Flats to the Palmer-Wasilla "Y".

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

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WHEREAS in response to an overwhelming need for improvements and

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expansion of the heaviest traveled road leading from Anchorage; and

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WHEREAS the Parks/Glenn Highway (Alaska #3) is a state-owned and

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maintained highway; and

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WHEREAS as the population of the Matanuska and Susitna Valleys is

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increasing rapidly due to their favorable location and proximity to Anchor-

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age and many of the residents of this area commute daily to and from

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Anchorage; and

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WHEREAS this is the only major thoroughfare for travel north out of

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Anchorage; and

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WHEREAS large numbers of people travel on holidays and weekends to the

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Matanuska-Susitna Borough for recreation such as skiing, fishing, hunting,

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hiking, camping, picnicking, and other activities; and

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WHEREAS large populations of moose occupy the Eklutna Flats and the

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Knik and Matanuska River deltas and pose a hazard to motorists that a wider

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road would alleviate; and

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WHEREAS the highway is a scenic drive with magnificent views of the

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Talkeetna and Chugach Mountains, the Eklutna Flats, and the Matanuska and

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Knik Rivers; and

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WHEREAS due to these varied reasons there is heavy traffic on the two-

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lane highway;

1 BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska State Legislature that the governor is  
2 respectfully requested to direct the commissioner of transportation and  
3 public facilities to request as a high priority, funds from the Federal  
4 Highway Administration for the construction of a four-lane highway from the  
5 south end of the Eklutna Flats to the Palmer-Wasilla "Y".