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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 11

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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.

8 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
10 Interior, was signed by the President of the United States in December 30,
11 1982; and

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WHEREAS Public Law 97-394 contains a provision restricting Indian
13 Health Services health care delivery to non-Native dependents; and

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WHEREAS Public Law 97-394 became effective immediately and had an
15 immediate and adverse effect on health care planning for Native Alaskans
16 and their non-Native dependents;

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BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of the State of Alaska requests
18 the United States Congress to reinstate health care for non-Native depen-
19 dents at Indian Health Service Clinics so that they may have an adequate
20 time frame during which to find alternative health care; and be it

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FURTHER RESOLVED that in the event of future curtailment or elimina-
22 tion of health services provided by the Indian Health Service, recipients
23 of the care shall be notified at least sixty days in advance so that they
24 may find alternative health care.

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COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Ted Stevens
26 and the Honorable Frank Murkowski, U.S. Senators, and the Honorable Don
27 Young, U.S. Representative, members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.