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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 11 am

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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 contains a provision eliminating Indian

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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

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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 Legislature of the State of Alaska requests

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the United States Congress to reinstate health care for non-Native depen-

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dents at Indian Health Service Clinics so that they may have an adequate

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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-

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tion of health services provided by the Indian Health Service, recipients

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of the care shall be notified at least sixty days in advance so that they

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may find alternative health care.

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COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Ted Stevens

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and the Honorable Frank Murkowski, U.S. Senators, and the Honorable Don

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Young, U.S. Representative, members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.