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1 IN THE HOUSE

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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 15

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

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FIFTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

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Relating to funding of capital projects.

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

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WHEREAS construction and repair of the infrastructure of the state are

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vital to the economy of the state; and

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WHEREAS funding for construction and repair of the infrastructure of

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the state has been sharply declining when compared to the operation of the

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state government; and

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WHEREAS the construction industry has lost a significant number of

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jobs over the past three years; and

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WHEREAS the voters of the state by a vote of 119,775 to 48,909 ap-

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proved an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Alaska creating

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art. IX, sec. 16; and

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WHEREAS art. IX, sec. 16, Constitution of the State of Alaska, pro-

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vides, in part, that "at least one-third (within the appropriation limit)

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shall be reserved for capital projects and loan appropriations"; and

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WHEREAS the provisions permit the one-third requirement for capital

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projects and loan appropriations to be disregarded when economic conditions

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make it inappropriate; and

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WHEREAS the economy of the state, and particularly the construction

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industry, will be adversely affected by a drastic cut in the capital

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budget; and

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WHEREAS an adequate capital budget is essential for the continued

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development and economic diversification of the state;

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BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska State Legislature that the Governor is

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respectfully requested to consider the long-term and short-term needs of

1 the infrastructure of the state in requests for capital project funding;  
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3       FURTHER RESOLVED that the Governor is urged to bring a level of pre-  
4 dictability and stability to the construction industry of the state in  
5 future requests for state capital project funding.