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1 IN THE SENATE BY THE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE
2 CS FOR SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 9 (Transportation)
3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
4 FIFTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION
5 Relating to reauthorization of funding
6 for the federal-aid highway program.
7 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:
8 WHEREAS construction and repair of highways in Alaska and throughout
9 the nation are dependent upon funds received from the federal-aid highway
10 program; and
11 WHEREAS the Congress failed to pass legislation authorizing funds for
12 the federal-aid highway program in 1987 before it adjourned last year; and
13 WHEREAS many states, including Alaska, may have to cancel plans for
14 high priority highway projects if federal-aid highway funds are not avail-
15 able; and
16 WHEREAS if the Congress does not expeditiously pass legislation to
17 reauthorize funds for the federal-aid highway program, much of the con-
18 struction season in Alaska and the cold weather states of the Northeast,
19 Midwest, and Northwest will be lost; and
20 WHEREAS revenue for the federal-aid highway program continues to
21 accumulate in the Highway Trust Fund from road-related fees including a
22 \$.09 per gallon tax on gasoline even though the Congress has not reau-
23 thorized funding for the federal-aid highway program; and
24 WHEREAS Alaska supports reauthorization of a multi-year highway
25 program without change to the current program apportionment formulas;
26 BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska State Legislature respectfully requests
27 the Congress to expeditiously enact legislation reauthorizing the federal-
28 aid highway program.
29 COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable George Bush,

1 Vice-President of the United States and President of the U.S. Senate; the
2 Honorable Jim Wright, Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives; and to
3 the Honorable Ted Stevens and the Honorable Frank Murkowski, U.S. Senators,
4 and the Honorable Don Young, U.S. Representative, members of the Alaska
5 delegation in Congress.