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1 IN THE HOUSE

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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 25

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

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SIXTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

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Relating to support for the federal

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Saltonstall-Kennedy grants program and

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the role of industry-directed private

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foundations in the program.

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

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WHEREAS the federal government established the Saltonstall-Kennedy  
11 seafood industry grants program; and

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WHEREAS the Saltonstall-Kennedy grants program was established to fund  
13 the development and promotion of the United States seafood industry and  
14 fisheries products; and

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WHEREAS the Saltonstall-Kennedy grants program is directed towards  
16 strengthening the United States seafood industry in the face of increasing  
17 foreign competition and a fluctuating resource base; and

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WHEREAS the Saltonstall-Kennedy grants program is funded from tariffs  
19 on imported seafood and seafood products; and

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WHEREAS Saltonstall-Kennedy grants program projects receive matching  
21 funds and in-kind services from the seafood industry; and

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WHEREAS the Saltonstall-Kennedy grants program is unique because it  
23 sets goals based on industry priorities and works with industry to accom-  
24 plish projects to achieve those goals; and

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WHEREAS the primary method that the seafood industry has used to  
26 participate in the Saltonstall-Kennedy grants program is through regional  
27 fisheries development foundations; and

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WHEREAS the Alaska Fisheries Development Foundation was established by  
29 the Alaska seafood industry to maximize the benefit of the Saltonstall-

1 Kennedy grants program in Alaska; and

2 WHEREAS the Saltonstall-Kennedy grants program has resulted in several  
3 projects that have had significant national and regional benefits to the  
4 seafood industry; and

5 WHEREAS in Alaska five shore-based and at least 10 vessel-based surimi  
6 processing firms have begun operations since the completion of the Alaska  
7 Fisheries Development Foundation's surimi demonstration project; and

8 WHEREAS two recent projects of the Alaska Fisheries Development Foun-  
9 dation, flatfish fishery development and by-product utilization, are having  
10 a similar positive effect on the Alaska seafood industry; and

11 WHEREAS this unprecedented level of success in development efforts is  
12 directly related to the unique joint industry and foundation participation  
13 in the Saltonstall-Kennedy grants program;

14 BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska State Legislature expresses its appre-  
15 ciation for the results of past Saltonstall-Kennedy grants program projects  
16 and gratitude for their support, to the President and Vice-President of the  
17 United States, the United States Congress, the United States Department of  
18 Commerce, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, the National  
19 Marine Fisheries Service, and the many industry organizations, fishery  
20 groups, and individuals that contribute to the success of this program; and  
21 be it

22 FURTHER RESOLVED that the Alaska State Legislature respectfully re-  
23 quests the President and Vice-President of the United States, the United  
24 States Congress, the United States Department of Commerce, the National  
25 Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, the National Marine Fisheries  
26 Service, the seafood industry, and other concerned groups to continue their  
27 support for this program and the unique joint industry and foundation  
28 cooperation that provides such beneficial results from well-directed and  
29 efficient projects.

1 COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable George Bush,  
2 President of the United States; the Honorable Dan Quayle, Vice-President of  
3 the United States and President of the U.S. Senate; the Honorable Richard  
4 G. Darman, Director of the Office of Management and Budget; the Honorable  
5 Robert A. Mosbacher, U.S. Secretary of Commerce; the Honorable William E.  
6 Evans, Administrator of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administra-  
7 tion; the Honorable James W. Brennan, Assistant Administrator for Fisher-  
8 ies, National Marine Fisheries Service; the Honorable George J. Mitchell,  
9 U.S. Senate Majority Leader; the Honorable Bob Dole, U.S. Senate Minority  
10 Leader; the Honorable Ernest F. Hollings, Chairman of the U.S. Senate  
11 Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation and Chairman of the  
12 Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, the Judiciary, and Related  
13 Agencies of the U.S. Senate Committee on Appropriations; the Honorable  
14 Warren B. Rudman, Ranking Minority Member of the Subcommittee on Commerce,  
15 Justice, State, the Judiciary, and Related Agencies of the U.S. Senate  
16 Committee on Appropriations; the Honorable John C. Danforth, Ranking Minor-  
17 ity Member of the U.S. Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transpor-  
18 tation; the Honorable John B. Breaux, U.S. Senator; the Honorable Jim  
19 Wright, Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives; the Honorable Thomas  
20 S. Foley, U.S. House Majority Leader; the Honorable Robert H. Michel, U.S.  
21 House Minority Leader; the Honorable Walter B. Jones, Chairman of the U.S.  
22 House Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries; the Honorable Robert W.  
23 Davis, Ranking Minority Member of the U.S. House Committee on Merchant  
24 Marine and Fisheries; the Honorable Gerry E. Studds, Chairman of the Sub-  
25 committee on Fisheries and Wildlife Conservation and the Environment of the  
26 U.S. House Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries; and to the Honorable  
27 Ted Stevens and the Honorable Frank Murkowski, U.S. Senators, and the  
28 Honorable Don Young, U.S. Representative, members of the Alaska delegation  
29 in Congress.