

BY REP. MACLEAN

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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 79

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

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SIXTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

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Relating to essential air service to

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rural Alaska.

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

8 WHEREAS many communities in Alaska rely on air transportation for  
9 their commercial and social ties with other communities in the state; and

10 WHEREAS the state highway system and surface modes of transportation  
11 do not extend to large portions of the state; and

12 WHEREAS Alaska air carriers are recipients of federal funding under  
13 the essential air service program of the United States Department of Trans-  
14 portation; and

15 WHEREAS the essential air service program guarantees the availability  
16 of essential air service to communities in the state; and

17 WHEREAS the availability of essential air service to rural Alaska is  
18 threatened by the rising costs of air service;

19 BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska State Legislature respectfully requests  
20 the Congress and the United States Department of Transportation to address  
21 the effect of rising costs on the availability of essential air service to  
22 rural Alaska.

23 COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable George Bush,  
24 President of the United States; the Honorable Dan Quayle, Vice-President of  
25 the United States and President of the U.S. Senate; the Honorable Thomas S.  
26 Foley, Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives; the Honorable George  
27 J. Mitchell, Majority Leader of the U.S. Senate; the Honorable Samuel K.  
28 Skinner, U.S. Secretary of Transportation; and to the Honorable Ted Stevens  
29 and the Honorable Frank Murkowski, U.S. Senators, and the Honorable Don

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