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BY THE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 96 am

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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 reconstructing and paving

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parts of the Alaska Highway as author-

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ized in the Federal-Aid Highway Act of

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1973.

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

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WHEREAS the United States and Canada entered into an agreement to

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reconstruct and pave the Alaska Highway from the Alaska-Canada border to

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Haines Junction, Yukon Territory, Canada, and the Haines Cutoff Highway

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from Haines Junction, Yukon Territory, Canada to the Alaska-Canada border

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near Haines, Alaska, known as the Shakwak project, as authorized in the

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Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1973; and

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WHEREAS the Congress has authorized \$59,000,000 for the project and

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has appropriated \$38,000,000 to the Federal Highway Administration for

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actual construction by Canada; and

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WHEREAS the Congress has not appropriated additional direct funding

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for the project; and

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WHEREAS in the last decade the state has provided \$37,000,000 of state

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federal-aid highway apportionments to assist in meeting the obligations of

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the agreement; and

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WHEREAS the estimated amount necessary to complete the entire project

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is in excess of \$200,000,000 U.S. dollars; and

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WHEREAS the state prefers a system of federal administration with

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state concurrence, rather than state administration, of this construction

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project;

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BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska State Legislature respectfully requests

1 the United States government and the Canadian government to honor their  
2 agreement and provide the additional funds necessary through direct federal  
3 appropriations to complete the remaining portions of the Shakwak project;  
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5       FURTHER RESOLVED that the Congress is respectfully requested to imme-  
6 diately appropriate up to \$59,000,000 to allow work on additional project  
7 segments to proceed; and be it

8       FURTHER RESOLVED that the Alaska State Legislature endorses federal  
9 administration, with state concurrence, for the Shakwak project.

10       COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to the Right Honourable Brian  
11 Mulroney, Prime Minister of Canada; the Honourable Elmer MacKay, Minister  
12 of Public Works, Canada; the Honourable Audrey McLaughlin, Member of  
13 Parliament, House of Commons; the Honourable Tony Penikett, Government  
14 Leader, Yukon Territory, Canada; the Honourable Maurice Byblow, Minister of  
15 Community and Transportation Services, Yukon Territory, Canada; the Honour-  
16 able Sam Johnston, Speaker, Legislative Assembly, Yukon Territory, Canada;  
17 the Honorable George Bush, President of the United States, the Honorable  
18 Dan Quayle, Vice-President of the United States and President of the U.S.  
19 Senate, the Honorable Thomas S. Foley, Speaker of the U.S. House of Rep-  
20 resentatives; the Honorable Samuel K. Skinner, Secretary of U.S. Department  
21 of Transportation; Thomas D. Larson, Administrator, Federal Highway Admin-  
22 istration, U.S. Department of Transportation; and to the Honorable Ted  
23 Stevens and the Honorable Frank Murkowski, U.S. Senators, and the Honorable  
24 Don Young, U.S. Representative, members of the Alaska delegation in Con-  
25 gress.