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1 IN THE SENATE

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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 69

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

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SIXTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

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Supporting the appropriation of federal

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funding for implementation of the devel-

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opment proposals for the Wrangell-St.

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Elias National Park and Preserve.

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

10 WHEREAS Legislative Resolve No. 43, adopted in 1989, supports the
11 development of a visitor center for Wrangell-St. Elias National Park and
12 Preserve in the vicinity of Glennallen; and

13 WHEREAS the National Park Service has prepared a plan for development
14 of Wrangell-St. Elias National Park and Preserve incorporating the Glenn-
15 allen visitor center and a variety of smaller projects throughout the park
16 including public campgrounds, a trail study, visitor contact stations and,
17 in coordination with the state, development of wayside exhibits and road-
18 side and information programs for visitors; and

19 WHEREAS the proposed development plan projects have been reviewed by
20 the public and approved as part of the park's general management plan; and

21 WHEREAS the Wrangell-St. Elias National Park and Preserve has out-
22 standing potential as a tourist destination, offering a combination of
23 magnificent scenery, outstanding natural and cultural resources, and state
24 maintained roads that extend into the park's interior; and

25 WHEREAS the state wants to celebrate in 1992 the 50th anniversary of
26 the completion of the Alaska Highway by promoting and enhancing tourist
27 destinations that are accessible to travelers using the Alaska Highway;

28 BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska State Legislature supports the appro-
29 priation of federal funds for implementation of the development proposals

1 for Wrangell-St. Elias National Park and Preserve.

2 COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Manuel Lujan,
3 Jr., Secretary of the Interior; to James M. Ridenour, Director of the
4 National Park Service; and to the Honorable Ted Stevens and the Honorable
5 Frank Murkowski, U.S. Senators, and the Honorable Don Young, U.S. Repre-
6 sentative, members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.