

**HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 60**  
**IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA**  
**SEVENTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION**

**BY REPRESENTATIVES G.PHILLIPS, M.A.Miller**

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**Referred: Transportation**

**A RESOLUTION**

**1 Relating to the expansion of the National Air and Space Museum.**

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

**3 WHEREAS the Smithsonian Institution has expressed an interest in expanding its National Air**  
**4 and Space Museum; and**

**5 WHEREAS the Smithsonian Institution is considering establishing an extension of the National**  
**6 Air and Space Museum at the Stapleton Airport in Denver, Colorado; and**

**7 WHEREAS the Stapleton Airport site is the only western site being considered for the expansion;**  
**8 and**

**9 WHEREAS the current Stapleton Airport is an excellent and natural facility for the placement**  
**10 of the National Air and Space Museum extension; and**

**11 WHEREAS locating a branch of the National Air and Space Museum in Denver would establish**  
**12 a significant educational resource in the western part of the United States and would make the treasures**  
**13 of United States aviation history more readily available to the millions of persons who live in the**  
**14 western part of the United States; and**

**15 WHEREAS the extension of the National Air and Space Museum to Denver would attract over**  
**16 1,000,000 out-of-state visitors a year, and many of these visitors would take advantage of the location**  
**17 to tour the other states in the western part of the United States; and**

1       **WHEREAS** this increase in tourism would economically benefit the western states and would  
2 result in a fairer distribution of the cultural and economic benefits that result from the operation of a  
3 national museum;

4       **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Alaska State Legislature urges the Smithsonian Institution to expand  
5 the National Air and Space Museum by establishing an extension of the museum at the Stapleton Airport  
6 in Denver, Colorado.

7       **COPIES** of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable George Bush, President of the United  
8 States; the Honorable Dan Quayle, Vice-President of the United States and President of the U.S. Senate;  
9 the Honorable Robert C. Byrd, President Pro Tempore of the U.S. Senate; the Honorable Thomas S.  
10 Foley, Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives; the Honorable George J. Mitchell, Majority Leader  
11 of the U.S. Senate; the Honorable Ted Stevens and the Honorable Frank Murkowski, U.S. Senators, and  
12 the Honorable Don Young, U.S. Representative, members of the Alaska delegation in Congress; and to  
13 the Regents of the Smithsonian Institution.