

COMMITTEE REPORT

3/18/75

HOUSE

Mr. Speaker:

Date 4/8/75

The Committee on FINANCE has had HJR 8

under consideration. A Majority of the members of the Committee

recommends it DO PASS

recommends it DO NOT PASS

recommends it DO PASS WITH ATTACHED AMENDMENT(S)

recommends it BE REPLACED WITH CS FOR _____ AND THAT

CS FOR _____ DO PASS

"and" recommends it BE REFERRED TO THE _____

COMMITTEE

reports it back WITHOUT RECOMMENDATION

"other"

Members signing the Majority report:

<u>[Signature]</u>	<u>[Signature]</u>	_____
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Members NOT concurring in the Majority report:

_____ recommends:

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_____ recommends:

[Signature] Chairman

Introduced: 2/5/75
Referred: State Affairs

1 IN THE HOUSE

BY DAVIS

2 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 8

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 NINTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Relating to the construction of a seawall
6 at Unalakleet.

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

8 WHEREAS the City of Unalakleet is located on federal land and has many
9 federal facilities; and

10 WHEREAS the city is located in an area where there is little or no
11 protection against the sea during storms or from the flooding of the
12 Unalakleet River; and

13 WHEREAS high tides, floods, and storms have destroyed land, demolished
14 homes, and endangered the lives of the citizens of Unalakleet as recently
15 as November 1974, at which time damage of such severity was suffered that the
16 area was declared a national disaster area by the President of the United
17 States; and

18 WHEREAS life and property will continue to be threatened unless an
19 adequate seawall can be constructed to protect the citizens of Unalakleet,
20 especially a seawall from the mouth of the Unalakleet River to the Bureau of
21 Indian Affairs school;

22 BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska State Legislature that the Corps of Engi-
23 neers, United States Army, is urgently requested to construct a seawall at
24 Unalakleet adequate to protect the lives and property of the people living
25 there and for the protection of the federal properties in Unalakleet.

26 COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Jennings
27 Randolph, Chairman, Senate Public Works Committee; the Honorable John A.
28 Blatnik, Chairman, House Public Works Committee; Lieutenant General William C.
29 Gribble, Chief of Engineers, Department of the Army; and to the Honorable Ted

1 Stevens and the Honorable Mike Gravel, U. S. Senators, and the Honorable Don
2 Young, U. S. Representative, members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.

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STATE OF ALASKA

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER

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JAY S. HAMMOND, Governor

March 26, 1975 -

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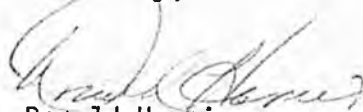
Dear Mr. Hogan:

Reference is made to the request of March 24, 1975, from Jim Rhode for a paragraph relating to House Joint Resolution No. 8, Construction of a seawall at Unalakleet.

In January, 1973, the Corps of Engineers completed a report on the feasibility of improvements for flood and erosion control and navigation at Unalakleet. The report found that the community was subject to occasional flooding from a combination of wind and sea and that waterborne shipments were hampered by shallow depths just offshore of the Unalakleet River. The study investigated several alternatives to correct the situation but concluded that structural measures would involve an extremely high cost and could not be economically justified. It was also concluded that, to minimize flood losses, local interests should utilize flood-proofing methods and zoning of the flood plain.

The report contained a negative recommendation, was forwarded to Washington, and concurred in by the Chief of Engineers.

Sincerely,



Donald Harris
Commissioner

cc: Rep. Larry T. Davis, Sponsor HJR 8