

HJR

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TO: MEMBERS OF THE SENATE LABOR AND COMMERCE COMMITTEE

FROM: Representative Steve Rieger, Co-Chair *SR*
Subcommittee on Housing and Banking
HOUSE JOINT COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

DATE: May 3, 1988

RE: HJR 72 am RELATING TO THE RESIDENTIAL REAL ESTATE MARKET

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This resolution was developed after hours of testimony was heard in the Subcommittee on Housing and Banking for the House Joint Economic Recovery Committee on current problems facing the Alaska residential real estate market. The purpose of the resolution is to give some backing to state agencies in their negotiations with mortgage insurers. The intent is to indicate legislative support to state agencies their efforts to work out cooperative restructuring programs designed to assist the residential real estate market.

This resolution cites the current difficult economic period for the state, particularly in the residential real estate market. The problem would be greatly helped by cooperation among the various participants in the market. It requests that various participating entities find creative and innovative approaches in dealing with the current crisis.

HJR 72 urges various financial participants in the Alaska real estate market to cooperate in developing innovative ways to restructure debt and to buy, sell, and trade properties for their collective benefit. It also addresses joint cooperation of various state, private financial and federal agencies to participate in economic stabilization.

Further, the legislature fully supports efforts by the Alaska Housing Finance Corporation, the Department of Commerce and Economic Development, the Department of Community and Regional Affairs, the Department of Revenue and the Alaska Permanent Fund Corporation to hold foreclosed-upon residential properties off the market in instances where such action makes long-term economic sense.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: SENATOR TIM KELLY, CHAIR
SENATE LABOR AND COMMERCE COMMITTEE

FROM: MAX F. GRUENBERG, JR., HOUSE CHAIR
JOINT COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC RECOVERY

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Max", written over the "FROM" line of the memorandum.

DATE: APRIL 26, 1988

RE: JOINT COMMITTEE LEGISLATION

I would appreciate consideration in your committee of the attached resolutions at your earliest convenience. HJR 72, relating to the residential real estate market, and HJR 73, urging the Federal Home Loan Bank Board to consider extension of assistance to Alaska financial institutions similar to the Board's "Southwest Plan", were developed and considered extensively by the subcommittees and members of the House side of the Joint Committee on Economic Recovery. Both resolutions were introduced at the House members' request by the House Rules Committee.

After moving through committees, both resolutions passed the House on April 25. HJR 72 passed by a margin of 39 - 1. HJR 73 passed unanimously.

HJR 72 encourages flexibility and cooperation among various state and federal lending agencies with regard to the stabilization of the residential housing market. This resolution also recommends that state agencies hold foreclosed-upon residential properties off the market when such action makes economic sense.

HJR 73 seeks to extend financial assistance to the state's lending institutions similar to provisions found in the Federal Home Loan Bank Board's "Southwest Plan." Assistance would include an infusion of capital from the Federal Home Loan Bank Board to lower costs of troubled lending institutions while preserving services, competition and basic structures.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.