

SJR

42

Alaska State Legislature

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Senator Pat Rodey, Chairman
Senate State Affairs Committee

FROM: Senator Rick Halford *Rick*

DATE: February 7, 1992

SUBJECT: Sponsor Statement -- SJR 42
Supporting the continuation of at least the current level of
U.S. military presence at Fort Richardson, Alaska.

The military presence in Alaska represents a vital and essential part of Alaska, especially in the Anchorage/Eagle River area by the existence of Fort Richardson.

Our armed forces have long played a major role in the growth and development of Alaska since its purchase from Russia in 1867. Nearly 14,000 soldiers, their families and retired personnel currently reside in the Anchorage area. Additionally, thousands of civilians earn their living through businesses supported by the bases.

Fort Richardson is located in one of the most strategic locations in the United States. Personnel stationed there can quickly and easily be deployed throughout Europe and Asia. With the reduction of military bases in the Pacific Rim, Fort Richardson's importance is greatly increased.

Recently President Bush has promised to cut defense spending by \$50 billion over the next few years. It is imperative the remaining defense spending be allocated to bases where it will be most effective to our nation's defense program. Clearly from an economic and military standpoint, Fort Richardson is one of those places.

SPONSOR STATEMENT



**PUBLIC AFFAIRS OFFICE
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FORT RICHARDSON, ALASKA 99505**

**arctic light
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SUBJECT: Ft. Richardson Demographics DATE: 5 Feb 92
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Confirm Yes No Will Call

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MESSAGE FROM: Doris Thomas OFFICE: Media Relations

MESSAGE:

Attached is a copy of the FY92 Command Information Card for the 6th Infantry Division (Light), which gives statistical data on Fort Richardson (FRA), Wainwright and Greely (FWA and FGA, respectively). I hope it will meet your needs.

Information about where our soldiers live is not on the card, so I've summarized that information below:*

Soldiers living on post: 3130
Soldiers living off post: 1180**
Family members on post: 3980
Family members off post: 1490

*Numbers are rounded to the nearest 10

** About 140 of those are single or are unaccompanied married soldiers

These numbers will not agree precisely with the command information card, due to differences in the way soldiers are counted by our Housing office and by our military manpower analysts. You may wish to get more information from the State Dept. of Labor (J. Greg Williams, demographer, or Terry Elder in Research and Analysis)

Let me know if I can provide any more information, or if you need a copy of the "Impact of Military Spending on the Economy of Alaska." We have some extra copies.

FT. RICH INFO,

STATISTICAL DATA

30-Sep-91

	FRA	FWA	FGA	OTHER	TOTAL
SIZE (THOUSANDS OF ACRES)	62	916	662	3	1643
Training Acres	47	878	629	3	1557
REAL PROPERTY (MILLIONS SQ. FT.)	8.1	7.3	1.5		16.9
MILITARY AUTHORIZED	4201	5198	437		9836
6th ID (L)	3011	3402			6413
Echelons Above Division (EAD)	532	1030	33		1595
Garrison	391	301	180		872
Tenants	267	465	224		956
FAMILY MEMBERS (ACTIVE DUTY)	5464	6419	724		12607
ARMY RETIREES	1200	500	90	460	2250
Family Members	1560	650	117	598	2925
DA CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES (ACTUAL)	1195	719	286		2200
Garrison	826	419	157		1402
DA Tenants	85	121	51		257
NAF	222	115	57		394
Commissary	62	64	21		147
OTHER CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES	369	628	79		1076
AAFES	216	339	45		601
BLM		160			160
Contractors	153	129	33		315
SCHOOLS ON POST	3	4	1		8
Student Enrollment	1090	934	328		2352
FAMILY QUARTERS (UNITS)	1757	1627	337		3721
Officer	204	218	58		480
Enlisted	1553	1299	279		3131
BOI HOUSING (UNITS)		550			550
Officer		116			116
Enlisted		434			434
FY 91 ECONOMIC IMPACT (\$ MILLIONS)					\$525.8
PAYROLL					
Military Active Duty	\$116.7	\$115.2	\$8.8		\$240.7
Army Reserve	0.5	0.3			0.8
DA Civilian Garrison	40.7	21.2	7.4		69.3
DA Civilian Tenants	2.6	3.5	2.5		8.6
NAF	4.0	1.9	0.6		6.5
Commissary	2.3	2.4	0.8		5.5
AAFES	3.1	6.0	0.7		9.8
OTHER EXPENDITURES					
NAF Procurement	2.1	1.0	0.4		3.5
Supplies & Equipment	27.7	27.7	6.6		62.0
Other Operational Costs	40.1	49.2	13.2		102.5
Military Construction	2.7	13.5	.4		16.6

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Anchorage - Star of the North
Chamber of Commerce

February 6, 1992

To: House Special Committee on Military & Veteran Affairs
From: The Anchorage Chamber of Commerce
Re: HJR 63

The Anchorage Chamber of Commerce strongly supports HJR 63. The Military represents a vital sector of the Anchorage and Statewide economy. Fort Richardson personnel contribute to the quality of life in Anchorage as well as the economy.

The Anchorage Chamber of Commerce has adopted as one of its Federal priorities: Support of Alaska's Congressional delegation as needed to keep Alaska Military facilities open and at current or greater levels of personnel.

Alaska serves as a strategic military position and Fort Richardson is a key to military operations in Alaska. The Chamber supports and urges passage of HJR 63 as currently written.

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CS FOR SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 42 (STATE AFFAIRS)

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

SEVENTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY THE SENATE STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Offered:

Referred:

Sponsor(s): SENATORS HALFORD, Cotten, Pourchot

A RESOLUTION

**1 Supporting the continuation of at least the current level of U.S. military presence at Fort
2 Richardson and Elmendorf Air Force Base in Alaska.**

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

**4 WHEREAS changing world conditions and relationships have lead to pressure on the Congress
5 and the President to reduce defense spending; and**

**6 WHEREAS reductions in defense spending would probably result in some cuts in personnel
7 stationed at bases around the country because a very significant portion of defense spending is related
8 to personnel costs; and**

**9 WHEREAS the U.S. Army and U.S. Air Force have been reviewing the need for a continued
10 presence of the present complement of military personnel at Fort Richardson and Elmendorf Air Force
11 Base in Alaska; and**

**12 WHEREAS changing world conditions and relationships have lead the U.S. Army and U.S. Air
13 Force to reduce their presence in the Philippines, South Korea, and the other areas; and**

**14 WHEREAS, although military reductions have occurred in Europe and the Far East, Alaska's
15 strategic importance should continue to grow in order to defend the interests of the United States in the
16 Arctic and the Pacific Rim regions; and**

1 **WHEREAS** in 1990, the military services in Alaska stood as the third largest industry in the
2 state, accounting for 16 percent of the state's labor force and 13 percent of the state's payroll with
3 expenditures on behalf of the military services in Alaska having an estimated \$2,700,000,000 effect on
4 Alaska's economy; and

5 **WHEREAS** Fort Richardson and Elmendorf Air Force Base represent the largest concentration
6 of military personnel in Alaska; and

7 **WHEREAS** the military personnel at Fort Richardson and Elmendorf Air Force Base and their
8 families contribute significantly to the state's economy and their presence is vital to the social fabric of
9 the Anchorage area;

10 **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Alaska State Legislature urges the President, the Congress, the U.S.
11 Army, and the U.S. Air Force to maintain at least the current level of military presence at Fort
12 Richardson and Elmendorf Air Force Base in Alaska.

13 **COPIES** of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable George Bush, President of the United
14 States; the Honorable Dan Quayle, Vice-President of the United States and President of the U.S. Senate;
15 the Honorable Dick Cheney, Secretary of Defense; the Honorable Robert C. Byrd, President Pro
16 Tempore of the U.S. Senate; the Honorable Thomas S. Foley, Speaker of the U.S. House of
17 Representatives; Michael P. W. Stone, Secretary of the Army; Donald B. Rice, Secretary of the Air
18 Force; General Carl E. Vuono, Army Chief of Staff; General Merrill A. McPeak, Air Force Chief of
19 Staff; the Honorable Ted Stevens and the Honorable Frank Murkowski, U.S. Senators, and the Honorable
20 Don Young, U.S. Representative, members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
1992 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BILL NO. SJR 42

Revision Date: _____ Department Affected: Dept. Mil. & Vets Aff.
 Title: Supporting Force Levels at Ft. Richardson BRU: _____
 Sponsor: Halford, Cotten Component: _____
 Requestor: _____ COMPONENT SERIAL NO.

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EXPENDITURES/REVENUES: (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY 93	FY 94	FY 95	FY 96	FY 97	FY 98
PERSONAL SERVICES						
TRAVEL						
CONTRACTUAL						
SUPPLIES						
EQUIPMENT						
LAND & STRUCTURES						
GRANTS, CLAIMS						
MISCELLANEOUS						
TOTAL OPERATING	0	0	0	0	0	0
CAPITAL	0	0	0	0	0	0
REVENUE FUND SOURCE:	0	0	0	0	0	0

FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND						
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER FUND SOURCE:						
TOTAL	0	0	0	0	0	0

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME						
PART-TIME						
TEMPORARY						

Estimate of current year impact: _____

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary.)

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