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### HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 1.

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska:

That the Secretary of Alaska be and he is hereby directed to provide a great seal of the Territory, which seal shall be of such design as may be determined by said Secretary after a conference with a select committee of the Legislature to be designated for such purpose.

Passed by the House, April 17, 1913.

Passed the Senate, April 30, 1913.

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### SENATE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 1.

To the President of the United States and the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives in Congress Assembled:

The Senate and House of the Territorial Legislature of Alaska memorializes the President and the Congress of the United States for the repeal of the law entitled "An Act extending the time in which to file adverse claims and institute adverse suits against mineral entries in the District of Alaska," approved June 7, 1910 (36 Stat., 459), which law applies to Alaska only and allows eight months, additional to the 60-day period of publication, in which adverse applications for mineral patents in Alaska. Three years of experience have demonstrated that such law is wholly unnecessary, and serves no useful purpose, but on the contrary, it imposes additional delays upon an already tedious procedure, and places unreasonable burdens upon those who seek in good faith to develop our mineral lands. No good reason exists for such special legislation in Alaska. The conditions in this territory warrant every possible effort to simplify the procedure, and to expedite such applications, instead of imposing

additional delays and unnecessary burdens as is done by this objectionable and unjust law.

In many cases the long delay of the present law causes an additional year's assessment work under the law providing for yearly assessments of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) in work to be performed upon each claim located.

Adopted by the Senate, March 26, 1913.

Concurred in by the House, April 1, 1913.

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#### SENATE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 2.

To the President and Congress of the United States:

Be it resolved, by the Legislature of Alaska, that the following memorial be sent to the President and Congress, with the request that, as early action as possible, compatible with public business, be taken thereon:

We respectfully represent, that by the organic law, creating the Territory of Alaska, approved, August 24, 1912, in Section 3 thereof the Legislature of Alaska is prohibited from, in any manner, interfering with the laws of the United States "providing for the taxes on business and trade."

We further represent that by the same Enabling Act, the Legislature of Alaska is further prohibited in Section Nine (9) thereof, "to fix and impose any tax or taxes upon railways or railway property in Alaska" for the period of five years from the date of said Act.

With the wisdom of the above inhibition, the entire people of Alaska we declare, is in full accord, because the prosperity and further development of Alaska depends upon a wise solution of the problems of transportation.

We further represent that by the provisions of "An Act making further provisions for a Civil Government for Alaska", approved June 6th, 1900, in Section Twenty-nine (29) thereof, a license tax is imposed by the United