

6. The extension and improvement of the Government road near Sitka.

And we, your memorialists, will ever pray.

Passed the Senate, April 19, 1915.

Passed the House, April 24, 1915.

SENATE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 16.

TO HIS EXCELLENCY, THE PRESIDENT, AND THE HONORABLE, THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES:

We, your memorialists, the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska, in second regular session assembled, do most respectfully and earnestly represent that:

Whereas, certain restrictions placed in the Organic Act of the Territory of Alaska whereby its legislative power is limited in the regulation of its fisheries; and

Whereas, the yearly value of our fisheries exceeds that of any Territorial industry; and

Whereas, the conservation of our fisheries is the most important matter affecting the welfare and prosperity of Alaska; and

Whereas, we believe that laws to regulate the fisheries can be best enacted by the people who are most directly interested in the protection of this great natural food supply;

Now, therefore, we, your memorialists, do pray that the restrictions in our Organic Act be removed and that full control and regulation of our fisheries be granted to the Territorial Legislature of Alaska, and your memorialists would also request that no law be enacted by the Congress of the United States whereby right or title be granted to any fish trap site in Alaskan waters, or whereby any survey of such sites shall have the authorization of Congress.

And your memorialists will ever pray.

Passed the Senate, April 27, 1915.

Passed the House, April 29, 1915.