

House Joint Memorials

HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 1.

TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES AND THE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR:

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

WHEREAS, the term of office of the Governor of Alaska is about to expire and an appointment is to be made by the President, and

WHEREAS, the Honorable J. F. A. Strong has served Alaska faithfully and well during his term of office, and has administered the high office of Governor of this Territory with impartiality and fairness to all, and

WHEREAS, the people of Alaska regardless of political affiliations desire the reappointment of Governor Strong.

NOW, THEREFORE, we, your memorialists, most respectfully urge and pray for the reappointment of the Honorable J. F. A. Strong Governor of Alaska for the coming term.

For the favorable consideration of this petition, your memorialists will ever pray.

Passed the House, March 20, 1917.

Passed the Senate, March 20, 1917.

HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 2.

TO THE PRESIDENT, TO THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, IN CONGRESS ASSEMBLED, AND TO THE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR:

We, your memorialists, the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska, duly assembled in its third session, respectfully and earnestly represent that

WHEREAS, in the Government service in the Territory of Alaska, and particularly in the service of the Alaska Engineer-

ing Commission, there are employed in clerical positions numerous aliens and persons who are not naturalized citizens of the United States.

NOW, THEREFORE, we, your memorialists, respectfully ask that legislation be enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States, and regulations be adopted by the various departments of the Government, prescribing as a necessary qualification for the holding of clerical positions in the Government service in the Territory of Alaska that the employees be citizens of the United States.

BE IT RESOLVED, That a copy of this memorial be sent to the President, to the Senate and House of Representatives of the Congress of the United States, to the Delegate from Alaska, to the Secretary of the Interior, and to the Alaska Engineering Commission.

And your memorialists will ever pray.

Passed the House March 29, 1917.

Passed the Senate, April 5, 1917.

HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 3.

TO THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA:

The Legislature of the Territory of Alaska respectfully represents that

WHEREAS, the prime essential to the development of the vast resources of Alaska is transportation; and

WHEREAS, railroad and steamship facilities are inadequate to such development unless supplemented by a system of wagon roads and trails and Congress has recognized this fact by repeated appropriations for such purposes; and

WHEREAS, the annual appropriation for the construction of roads and trails in Alaska was not made the last session of Congress and the failure of Congress to make appropriation at this special session will not only paralyze the efforts of the Road Commission for future developments, but by preventing necessary repairs and maintenance, will result in the great deterioration of the roads already constructed, to the great loss of the Territory and of the United States; and

WHEREAS, the construction of an adequate road system in Alaska will not only open for development immense areas of mineral, coal and lands suitable for farming and cattle graz-