

the fish and other animal life of the waters of Alaska in popular vein that can be used in the schools of the Territory as well as for general use; and if a similar request to the Secretary of Agriculture for a bulletin covering the wild life of Alaska be granted, if deemed proper and advisable by the Secretary of Commerce and the Secretary of Agriculture, that the two bulletins be combined and published as one bulletin.

BE IT RESOLVED that a copy hereof be sent to the Secretary of Commerce, the Secretary of Agriculture and the Delegate to Congress from Alaska.

And your Memorialists will ever pray.

Passed by the House, April 25, 1923.

Passed by the Senate, April 28, 1923.

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### HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 19.

TO THE PRESIDENT, AND THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE UNITED STATES:

Your Memorialists, the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska in Sixth Regular Session assembled, do most respectfully and earnestly represent that

WHEREAS, It has been proposed to dredge Gastineau Channel at what is known as the Gastineau Channel Bar between the North end of Douglas Island and the mainland of Alaska, near Juneau, for the purpose of enabling water craft to sail to and from the Port of Juneau and Icy Straits, Chatham Straits, Cross Sound and points to the Westward of Juneau, and construct a canal from Youngs Bay on the northeast side of Admiralty Island to Hawk Inlet on the southwest side of Admiralty Island for the purpose of facilitating commerce between the Port of Juneau and Icy Straits, Chatham Straits, Cross Sound and all the territory lying west and southwest of Juneau; and,

WHEREAS, The dredging of Gastineau Channel would greatly facilitate transportation between the Port of Juneau and points to the north and west of Juneau, and effect a saving of over twenty miles in the distance between Juneau and all points to the west and to the North and to the southwest, where commerce is now carried on, and also avoid the rough waters in the fall and winter which are caused by winds from Taku Inlet; and,

WHEREAS, The construction of a canal from Youngs Bay to Hawk Inlet would be of incalculable benefit to Juneau and

all the Territory of Alaska by reason of the fact that the same would be a saving to all ships and boats and water craft operating between Juneau and all points to the Westward and Southwest, and would avoid incalculable delay caused by the high winds and rough water encountered during the winter months from October to April by small boats in the passage around Point Retreat, which passage is the only route at present open to water craft between Juneau and all points to the Westward and Southwest, and by reason of the further fact that efforts are being made at the present time to establish the paper making industry at Juneau, where there has already been developed hydro electric power to the extent of sixteen thousand horse power, which is valuable for such purpose, and the timber supply for a paper mill established at or near Juneau, is on the West coast of Admiralty Island, and it would be impracticable to tow the logs and timber from the west coast of Admiralty Island around Point Retreat during the winter months, but the same could safely be brought through a canal from Hawk Inlet to Juneau at all seasons of the year; and,

WHEREAS, Congress has appropriated a sum of money sufficient to make a survey of said projected canal and the said dredging of Gastineau Channel Bar, and that said work is now being undertaken by the Chief of the U. S. Engineers of the War Department;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED That the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska heartily endorses the action of the U. S. Engineers in making the investigations of said project for the dredging of Gastineau Channel Bar and the construction of the canal between Youngs Bay and Hawk Inlet, and the action of Congress in making the necessary appropriations for said investigations, and urges the immediate passage of an appropriation sufficient to complete these projects.

AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent to the President, to each of the Houses of Congress, and to the Delegate to Congress from Alaska.

And your Memorialists will ever pray.

Passed by the House, April 20, 1923.

Passed by the Senate, April 26, 1923.