

SENATE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 10.

**TO THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF
THE UNITED STATES:**

We, your Memorialists, the Senate and House of Representatives of the Territory of Alaska, respectfully represent,

That for a period of twenty-five years Thomas A. Ross has been in charge of the United States Coast Guard Station located at Nome, Alaska, and during that time has rendered heroic service and through his efforts many lives have been saved, and small ships have been assisted during the violent storms which sweep over Bering Sea;

That continually he has risked his life and that of his brave crew to bring safely to shore the passengers and crews of vessels broken to pieces in the surf on the shores of Bering Sea;

That during the winter of 1919 the city of Nome, and neighboring sections, were scourged by an epidemic of the flu in its most virulent form, and many hundred men and women died;

That during said time the subject of this memorial gave his unceasing efforts to the care and attention of those afflicted with this disease, without regard for himself, visited the home of the sick, helped to bury the dead, and furnished food and fuel to those in need;

WHEREFORE, your Memorialists urge the Congress of the United States to recognize his heroic services by conferring upon him the Navy Cross or Distinguished Medal;

BE IT RESOLVED that a copy hereof be sent to the Senate and to the House of Representatives of the United States, to the Honorable Dan A. Sutherland, Delegate from Alaska, and to Thomas A. Ross of Nome, Alaska.

And your Memorialists will ever pray.

Passed the Senate, April 27, 1927.

Passed the House, May 5, 1927.