

made and that if possible a better mail service be accorded the people of this locality.

And your memorialist will ever pray.

Passed by the House, March 2, 1935.

Passed by the Senate, March 8, 1935.

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### HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 28.

TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES AND TO THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES AND TO THE HONORABLE A. J. DIMOND, DELEGATE TO CONGRESS FROM FROM ALASKA AND TO THE COMMISSIONER OF INDIAN AFFAIRS:

Your Memorialist, the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska in twelfth regular session assembled, do most respectfully represent that:

WHEREAS, the Vital Statistics records show that more than three times as many persons die in the Territory of Alaska from tuberculosis as from any other cause and further that practically all of the victims of the White Plague are Natives, and the 1930 census shows there are 29,983 natives in the Territory; 5,990 in the First Division, 8,686 in the Second Division, 7,298 in the Third Division, and 8,009 in the Fourth Division; and

WHEREAS, the only facilities for handling this dreaded disease among the natives as reported by the Medical Director connected with the Bureau of Indian Affairs consist of an annex to the Native Hospital in Juneau, Alaska; that this institution is not nearly large enough to care for the Indian patients in this immediate vicinity, and that frequently it has been necessary to refuse admittance to many needy cases which necessitates returning these patients to their families and further exposing others and spreading the disease; that this single institution has demonstrated the wisdom of maintaining such institutions in every Division of the Territory and the need for such places is urgent;

NOW, THEREFORE, we your Memorialists, petition the Congress of the United States to appropriate sufficient funds for the Bureau of Indian Affairs to construct and operate such institutions in each of the four Judicial Divisions of the Territory and at such places as the said Bureau of Indian Affairs shall deem advisable.

And your Memorialist will ever pray.

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