

HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 19

TO HIS EXCELLENCY, THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES;

TO THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES;

TO THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY OF THE UNITED STATES;

AND TO THE COMMANDANT OF THE UNITED STATES COAST GUARD.

Your Memorialists, the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska, respectfully represent:

THAT the City of Nome is the principal seaport in Northwestern Alaska where the commerce and business of that large part of the Territory of Alaska centers;

THAT the City of Nome is the receiving and distributing port of the Second Division of Alaska, where freight and passenger steamers and other vessels load and unload their passengers and cargo;

THAT it is an unprotected open roadstead subject to much bad weather and severe storms;

THAT for more than twenty-nine years the United States Government has maintained at Nome a Coast Guard Station efficiently manned and equipped, which has been of great service in saving life and property;

AND WHEREAS, said Coast Guard Station and a portion of its equipment was destroyed by fire on September 17, 1934.

NOW, THEREFORE, we, your Memorialists, respectfully pray that said Coast Guard Station be rebuilt at Nome, Alaska, without delay and be adequately equipped and manned for service; that an Amphibian Plane be assigned to said station to render invaluable service in the spring of the year to pilot ships through the ice to open leads or keep Captains of said ships informed as to ice conditions.

AND YOUR MEMORIALISTS WILL EVER PRAY.

Passed by the House, February 20, 1937.

Passed by the Senate, February 27, 1937.