

## SENATE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 5

TO THE HONORABLE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA:

Your Memorialist, the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska in the Thirtieth Regular Session assembled, respectfully submits that:

WHEREAS, there are three road building agencies in the Territory of Alaska, namely, the Alaska Road Commission under the Department of the Interior, the Bureau of Public Roads under the Department of Agriculture and the Territorial Board of Road Commissioners, a Territorial agency; and

WHEREAS, it is believed that a single road planning agency would function more economically and that the existing Territorial road building agency fully understands the road needs and the road problems in Alaska; and

WHEREAS, the Territory of Alaska has contributed liberally in the past toward the construction of roads and will continue to contribute for such purposes to the limit of its financial ability; and

WHEREAS, the Territory of Alaska is conscious of the generous aid that has been extended to the Territory in the matter of road construction by the Federal Government; and

WHEREAS, it is believed that the extension of the Federal Highway Act to the Territory would not involve a greater expenditure of Federal funds than is now expended under the existing arrangement; and

WHEREAS, it is the sense of the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska that the people of Alaska should rightfully have a voice in the planning and building of all roads within the Territory and that the Territory is ready and willing to contribute on any fair and equitable basis toward highway construction within the Territory;

NOW, THEREFORE, your Memorialist respectfully petitions and prays that H. R. 1554, now before Congress, extending the Federal Highway Act to the Territory of Alaska, be enacted.

AND YOUR MEMORIALIST WILL EVER PRAY.

Passed by the Senate, February 11, 1937.

Passed by the House, February 18, 1937.