

WHEREAS, it is an unprotected roadstead; and subject to severe storms; and,

WHEREAS, there are seven other ports within one hundred and fifty miles of Nome where freight and passenger steamers and other vessels unload their freight and passengers from unprotected roadsteads; and,

WHEREAS, due to long distances from Nome to other coastal ports, towns, and villages that from time to time are in need of immediate succor and aid, a Coast Guard plane equipped for Northern flying should be a part of the station's equipment; and,

WHEREAS, 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.

AND YOUR MEMORIALISTS WILL EVER PRAY.

Passed by the House, February 10, 1939.

Passed by the Senate, February 16, 1939.

HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 28.

TO THE HONORABLE FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT, PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, THE HONORABLE HARRY HOPKINS, SECRETARY OF COMMERCE, THE HONORABLE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES, AND TO THE HONORABLE ANTHONY J. DIMOND, DELEGATE TO CONGRESS FROM ALASKA:

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

WHEREAS, the life, the welfare, the prosperity and the happiness of approximately one-half of the population of this Territory

is totally dependent upon the Alaska Fisheries and the manner and method in which the same are administered by the United States Bureau of Fisheries; and,

WHEREAS, the people of Alaska have long sought to obtain a voice in the regulation, administration and the control of said fisheries, but the same have continued to be administered by the United States Bureau of Fisheries of the Department of Commerce, which has no direct contact with the people of Alaska and no machinery whereby the people most interested can present their views or make available to the United States Bureau of Fisheries the practical experience and observations of those who have spent their lifetime taking fish in Alaskan waters; and,

WHEREAS, in view of the situation hereinbefore set forth, the fishing population of Alaska is justified in requesting that some means be provided whereby those who make their livelihood from Alaska's Fisheries can participate in the preparation of the necessary regulations for the conservation and utilization thereof;

NOW, THEREFORE, Your Memorialist respectfully prays that the Congress of the United States enact a law creating a commission of eight or more members, to be known as the Alaska Fisheries Commission; the members thereof to be appointed by the President of the United States or the Secretary of Commerce, as Congress shall determine, and to be chosen from among the actual bona fide resident fishermen of the several fishing areas or districts throughout the Territory, upon the recommendation of all the bona fide resident fishermen of the particular areas or districts; such recommendation to be made through regular established unions, associations or other organizations composed exclusively of fishermen.

And your Memorialist further prays that by said act of Congress the duty and authority be imposed upon said Alaska Fisheries Commission, and its members, of meeting annually with the United States Commissioner of Fisheries, or his Alaska agent, in the capital or elsewhere in the Territory, as shall be designated by said Commissioner, for the purpose of holding hearings, receiving recommendations and discussing the regulations to be promulgated by the Secretary of Commerce concerning the Alaska Fisheries; such meeting to be held annually prior to the issuance of the annual regulations, and the recommendations adopted thereat to be submitted to the Secretary of Commerce and considered by him prior to the issuance of the annual regulations.

And your Memorialist further prays that the members of said Alaska Fisheries Commission may be reimbursed for their actual and necessary transportation expense in going to and from the

Annual Meeting of said Commission and may receive a per diem of Six Dollars (\$6.00) per day for each day actually in attendance at said meeting or actually and necessarily spent at the place of such meeting; said sums to be paid from the annual appropriations made by Congress for the administration of the Alaska Fisheries.

AND YOUR MEMORIALIST WILL EVER PRAY.

Passed by the House, February 20, 1939.

Passed by the Senate, March 2, 1939.

HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 29.

TO THE HONORABLE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES,
THE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR AND THE HONOR-
ABLE ANTHONY J. DIMOND, DELEGATE FROM ALASKA:

Your Memorialist, the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska, in Fourteenth Regular Session assembled, respectfully represents:

WHEREAS, the discontinuance of the operation of the Copper River and Northwestern Railroad has resulted in cutting off an outlet to the sea for many people in the Copper River Valley and other large sections of the Territory where a number of mining properties have heretofore been successfully operated because of such outlet; and,

WHEREAS, the Kennecott Copper Corporation, the owner of said railroad, has offered to donate its roadbed together with other facilities along said line to the United States, or the Territory of Alaska; and,

WHEREAS, it seems advisable that said roadbed be converted into a highway; and,

WHEREAS, if such conversion be found feasible the bringing about thereof will result in a great benefit to said section and to the Territory in general;

NOW, THEREFORE, your Memorialist respectfully prays that the United States delegate an engineer to examine into and report upon the feasibility of converting said roadbed into a highway and