

WHEREAS, moving pictures and still pictures, showing this condition, were made and taken at the time—thus proving the conditions herein set forth beyond a question of a doubt; and,

WHEREAS, it appears doubtful if the fisheries resources of the Territory can be utilized and maintained in a manner consistent with sound principles and conservation methods under the direction of the present inexperienced officials of the Fish and Wild Life Service stationed at Washington, D. C.; and,

WHEREAS, it is highly doubtful if the Industry will or can continue to risk huge sums of invested capital in enterprises that are subject to the whims and fancies of the present Fish and Wild Life Service officials who persist in efforts to regulate and control the Industry from their office in Washington, D. C.;

NOW, THEREFORE, We, your Memorialist, respectfully urge and pray that the matters and things herein set forth be fully investigated and the truth thereof determined; that immediate effort be made to place the direction of the Fish and Wild Life Service in the hands of competent and experienced officials whose permanent residence and headquarters shall be in the Territory of Alaska and that more and greater authority be given to agents in the field who are familiar with conditions existing in their respective districts;

AND YOUR MEMORIALIST FURTHER PRAYS, that steps be taken by law or regulation to create fisheries committees in each fishing district to advise with and counsel with the agents, officers and officials of the Fish and Wild Life Service with respect to the Regulations being made in each district.

AND YOUR MEMORIALIST WILL EVER PRAY.

Passed by the House, March 18, 1941.

Passed by the Senate, March 20, 1941.

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### HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 19

TO THE HONORABLE FRANK P. WALKER, POSTMASTER GENERAL OF THE UNITED STATES, THE HONORABLE ANTHONY J. DIMOND, DELEGATE TO CONGRESS FROM ALASKA, AND TO THE HONORABLE ERNEST GRUENING, GOVERNOR OF ALASKA:

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

WHEREAS, the present circuitous mail route Seattle-Seward by steamer, on the railroad to Fairbanks and by air to Nome takes from eight to ten days to make delivery and has proved inadequate as the volume is more than the service can take care of and, at intervals, surplus has to be moved by emergency contracts; and,

WHEREAS, during the past year there has been successfully demonstrated the feasibility and practicability of the new direct route Anchorage-McGrath, Unalakleet-Nome, cutting the time of delivery from three to four days. In addition to this, it has made it possible to serve a vast region of the Second Division of Alaska now entirely without connections and spasmodically served with mails; and,

WHEREAS, during the open season of navigation in the year 1940, between the end of the winter mail contract and up to September tenth there were only two deliveries by boat of newspapers, periodicals and parcels post to Nome; and,

WHEREAS, the summer river route Nenana-St. Michael-Nome, used to dispatch all classes of mail during the summer months, including air mail not being strictly letter mail, regardless that large envelopes and packages accepted and airmail postage paid on same, dispatched in said mails were delivered at Nome from thirty to forty days from the date of leaving the Seattle post office, and resulted in immeasurable loss and costly delays to the business and mining interest of the Second Division of Alaska.

NOW, THEREFORE, your Memorialist respectfully and earnestly requests: (1) that the Postal Department establish the Anchorage-Nome route for all classes of mail for winter and summer; and (2) that it continue the service of air mail on the route Seattle-Juneau-Fairbanks-Nome.

AND YOUR MEMORIALIST WILL EVER PRAY.

Passed by the House, March 14, 1941.

Passed by the Senate, March 19, 1941.

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## HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 20

TO THE CIVIL AERONAUTICS BOARD, WASHINGTON, D. C.:

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