

House Joint Memorials

HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 1

TO THE HONORABLE FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT, PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, AND THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES:

Your Memorialist, the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska, in Sixteenth regular session assembled, respectfully represents:

WHEREAS, the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska, in its Fifteenth session assembled by Senate Joint Memorial No. 13, memorialized the Honorable Franklin D. Roosevelt, President of the United States of America, and the Congress of the United States to authorize the construction of a road to connect the present Seward-Hope Highway with Anchorage, Alaska; and

WHEREAS, said memorial set forth the fact that the coast terminus of the Alaska Railroad was to be changed from Seward to Whittier on Passage Canal; and

WHEREAS, the contemplated change will shortly be accomplished by the completion of the tunnels, track and other facilities necessary to its completion; and

WHEREAS, this change of terminus of the Alaska Railroad will deny to Seward and the whole Kenai Peninsula any access to the interior of Alaska, and will seriously affect the lives and property of all the people of Seward and its environs; and

WHEREAS, the present Highway between Seward and Hope is constructed to within approximately 25 miles of Anchorage, Alaska, where, if constructed it would connect with the network of roads which serve Anchorage, Valdez, Fairbanks and the International Highway, and

WHEREAS, the extension of said road is not only clearly desirable in the interests of the people and the development of Seward and the Kenai Peninsula, but likewise in the interests of National defense; and

WHEREAS, no harbor in the world is easier of defense nor more

suitable for the handling of commerce than Resurrection Bay on which Seward is located,

NOW THEREFORE, your Memorialist respectfully and earnestly prays that the Highway from Seward be extended to connect with the network of roads at Anchorage, Alaska.

AND YOUR MEMORIALIST WILL EVER PRAY.

Passed by the House, February 10, 1943.

Passed by the Senate, February 20, 1943.

HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 2

TO THE HONORABLE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE AND THE HONORABLE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES, AND TO THE HONORABLE ANTHONY J. DIMOND, DELEGATE FROM ALASKA:

Your Memorialist, the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska, in Sixteenth regular session assembled, respectfully represents:

WHEREAS, the Honorable Anthony J. Dimond, Delegate from Alaska, on January 6, 1943, introduced into the House of Representatives of the United States H. R. 349, a Bill entitled "An Act making further provision for a civil government for Alaska, and for other purposes", the purpose of which is to provide for the payment of a net salary to United States Commissioners in Alaska; and

WHEREAS, in the past and at the present time United States Commissioners in Alaska are also charged with the duties of Probate Judges, Justices of the Peace, Recorders and Coroners and have been and are paid only the fees of the office, which in almost all instances are inadequate; and

WHEREAS, the enactment of H. R. No. 349, will tend to induce competent persons to accept the appointment as United States Commissioners in Alaska, and will more adequately reward such officers for their services.

NOW THEREFORE, your Memorialist, the Legislature of the