

(b) The trawl consists of a power-driven boat towing a mesh drag net capable of an expansion of several hundred feet and capable of a penetration to the depth of one hundred and twenty-five fathoms; and,

WHEREAS, this operation known as "Otter" or "beam" trawling serves to destroy all natural bottom flora, is a wasteful operation in that an average of less than seventy per centum of the fish taken in any one such operation are usable for the purpose of sale and human consumption; and,

WHEREAS, the remaining fish taken in any one such operation and not fit for sale or human consumption, are disposed of by throwing their carcasses back into the sea; and,

WHEREAS, as a result of this wantonly destructive method, vast areas of the ocean's floor could have all their marine flora destroyed, and become polluted by the decaying of fish carcasses and thus be rendered unfit either as a feeding or as spawning grounds; this does not include Shrimp Trawlers using a basket or beam trawl;

NOW, THEREFORE, we your Memorialists, do respectfully pray that the proper departments take whatever steps may be necessary for the promulgation and adoption of proper regulations for the purpose of prohibiting "otter" or "beam" trawling anywhere along the Alaska coast line. .

AND YOUR MEMORIALIST WILL EVER PRAY.

Passed by the House March 21, 1946.

Passed by the Senate March 29, 1946.

HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 5

TO THE HONORABLE JULIUS A. KRUG, SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR; HONORABLE CLINTON ANDERSON, SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE; THE BUREAU OF PUBLIC ROADS; AND THE HONORABLE E. L. BARTLETT, DELEGATE TO CONGRESS FROM ALASKA:

Your Memorialist, the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska, respectfully represents that:

WHEREAS, public interest in aviation is rapidly increasing throughout the Territory of Alaska; and,

WHEREAS, the fostering and encouraging of aviation is most necessary for the growth and development of the Territory of Alaska; and,

WHEREAS, the number of facilities for the landing of planes, such as airfields and landing strips, is most inadequate throughout the Territory of Alaska;

NOW, THEREFORE, your Memorialist, the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska, in extraordinary session assembled, respectfully urges that landing strips for the use of both commercial and private aircraft may be established by the widening of existing roads through the Territory of Alaska at such appropriate points and places as may be decided upon.

AND YOUR MEMORIALIST WILL EVER PRAY.

Passed by the House March 22, 1946.

Passed by the Senate March 25, 1946.

Approved by the Governor March 29, 1946.

HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 7

TO THE HONORABLE JULIUS A. KRUG, SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR, AND HONORABLE E. L. BARTLETT, DELEGATE TO CONGRESS FROM ALASKA:

Your Memorialist, the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska in Extraordinary Session assembled, respectfully represents that:

WHEREAS, commercial fishing and mining are prohibited in Kafia Bay between Cape Ugyak and Cape Gull along the mainland shore and nearby islands from Cape Kubuzakli to Cape Douglas. in