

villages up the Kobuk and Noatak Rivers, besides becoming an important point of interest for tourists; and

WHEREAS, said town has an inadequate water supply and sewage disposal system in connection with which at least one death from typhoid fever the last five years has been traced to polluted water; and

WHEREAS, the Territorial Department of Health has instituted a program for making surveys of water supply and sanitation with respect to many communities in Alaska;

NOW THEREFORE, your memorialist, the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska, respectfully urges that the scope of said survey include the community of Kotzebue, including the sinking of a test well, and that thereafter assistance be given through the Federal Health Program, or otherwise, to secure an adequate and safe water supply for Kotzebue.

AND YOUR MEMORIALIST WILL EVER PRAY.

Passed by the House March 3, 1949.

Passed by the Senate March 8, 1949.

Approved by the Governor March 9, 1949.

HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 20

TO THE PRESIDENT AND CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES; THE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR; THE FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE; AND THE DELEGATE FROM ALASKA:

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

WHEREAS, it is realized that Alaska's fur animals and game animals and non-commercial fish represent a unique and irreplaceable wildlife resource upon which a large part of our population is

dependent for existence and which concerns every one in Alaska;
and

WHEREAS, the resource value of these assets, at present day prices, may be conservatively estimated at \$150,000,000.00 and the Territory's furbearers are the only source of revenue in a large portion of Alaska; and

WHEREAS, an alarming and persistent depletion of some of these wildlife species is occurring as the result of not only the obvious factors of predation, increased hunting pressure, etc., but also of certain unknown factors which can be discovered only through scientific investigations; and

WHEREAS, the Co-operative Wildlife Research Units now active at land grant colleges in fourteen states have, during the last thirteen years, with a comparatively small investment, been highly successful in developing practical scientific answers to problems in wildlife management, have trained many young men to assume positions of responsibility in the field of wildlife conservation, have provided public education and guidance in this field, and have rendered continuing technical assistance to state game departments in their wildlife management problems; and

WHEREAS, the people of the Territory of Alaska keenly feel the need for, and greatly desire the establishment of, a Co-operative Wildlife Research Unit at the University of Alaska to accomplish these objectives in the Territory; and

WHEREAS, the Territory of Alaska and the Wildlife Management Institute are contributing their share toward the establishment of this unit;

NOW THEREFORE, your memorialist, the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska, urges that Federal funds be made available in the amount necessary to aid in establishing the proposed Co-operative Wildlife Research Unit at the University of Alaska.

AND YOUR MEMORIALIST WILL EVER PRAY.

Passed by the House March 14, 1949.

Passed by the Senate March 21, 1949.

Approved by the Governor March 23, 1949.