

HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 26

TO THE TERRITORIAL BOARD OF ROAD COMMISSIONERS:

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

WHEREAS, a modern airport at Seldovia, Alaska is required for the following reasons:

(1) To provide better transportation service to the people of Seldovia and other communities of the Lower Cook Inlet area.

(2) To permit faster and more frequent mail service for the area, which is now restricted to two deliveries a week by boat.

(3) To make it possible for the people of Homer and other Lower Cook Inlet settlements to obtain prompt medical attention in cases of illness or injury, the hospital and resident physician at Seldovia now being beyond the reach of such places on the frequent occasions when weather prevents sea-plane landings; and,

WHEREAS, the future growth and development of Seldovia hinges largely upon better transportation and mail service, particularly by land planes; and,

WHEREAS, the city of Seldovia has already expended the sum of \$4,000 to initiate construction of a Class 1 airfield on a site recommended by the Civil Aeronautics Administration immediately northeast of the town; and,

WHEREAS, the additional sum of \$50,000 is estimated as necessary to complete the construction, grading and gravel surfacing of a Class 1 field with runway measuring 2000 feet by 150 feet and to construct approximately one-half mile of road connecting the airfield with Seldovia; and,

WHEREAS, it is in the Territory's interest to complete the said airport at the earliest possible date, because of the necessity and utility of the same to a considerable population not only in Seldovia but throughout the Lower Cook Inlet area.

NOW THEREFORE, your memorialist, the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska, respectfully requests that the Territorial Board of Road Commissioners allot \$50,000 or as much thereof as may be necessary from the Roads, Airfields, Water and Harbor Facilities Fund for completion of the Seldovia airfield and construction of a road to the same from Seldovia.

AND YOUR MEMORIALIST WILL EVER PRAY.

Passed by the House March 4, 1949.

Passed by the Senate March 16, 1949.

Approved by the Governor March 19, 1949.

HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 27

TO THE HON. DEAN ACHESON, SECRETARY OF STATE, HON. WARREN G. MAGNUSON AND HON. HARRY P. CAIN, U. S. SENATE; HON. HUGH B. MITCHELL, HON. HENRY M. JACKSON, HON. RUSSELL V. MACK, HON. HAL HOLMES, HON. WALT HORAN, HON. THOR C. TOLLEFSON, MEMBERS, U. S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES: HON. E. L. BARTLETT, DELEGATE FROM ALASKA; SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE W. N. CHAPMAN; AND MEMBERS OF THE INTERNATIONAL FISHERIES COMMISSION STEWART BATES, G. W. NICKERSON, M. C. JAMES, AND EDWARD W. ALLEN.

WHEREAS, regulatory powers over the Alaska halibut fishery vested in the International Fisheries Commission pursuant to a Convention proclaimed August 4, 1937 between the United States of America and Canada revising earlier Conventions for the preservation of the halibut fishery of the northern Pacific Ocean and Bering Sea, and

WHEREAS, from time to time since 1937 certain amendments have been proposed to broaden the Commission's scope of authority under the Convention, and