

HOUSE MEMORIAL NO. 3

TO THE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR, THE DIRECTOR OF THE UNITED STATES FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE, AND THE ALASKA GAME COMMISSION:

WHEREAS, the Brown Bear of Alaska are holding their own if not actually increasing in numbers; and,

WHEREAS, they are predators on the Alaska salmon run; and,

WHEREAS, the destruction of unspawned fish in the spawning grounds is a continuing factor in the face of ever smaller salmon runs; and,

WHEREAS, studies of the Fish and Wildlife Service, conducted by Mr. Richard Shuman, show that as much as 31.3% of the fish reaching the spawning grounds are destroyed by Brown Bear before they have spawned; and,

WHEREAS, for all practical purposes this fish might well have been added to the world food supply; now

THEREFORE, your Memorialist, the Legislature of Alaska, respectfully urges the limit to be taken off the Brown Bear of Alaska;

AND YOUR MEMORIALIST WILL EVER PRAY.

Passed by the House, February 16, 1949.

HOUSE MEMORIAL NO. 4

TO THE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR, THE SECRETARY OF THE UNITED STATES FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE, AND THE ALASKA GAME COMMISSION:

WHEREAS, the Sea Lions of Alaska are known to be predators, destructive to the fisheries of Alaska; and,

WHEREAS, the Sea Lions have increased to the extent that they are one of the contributing factors responsible for the decline of the Alaskan fisheries; and,

WHEREAS, such decline in the fisheries has resulted in ever stricter conservation measures;

THEREFORE, your Memorialist, the Legislature of Alaska respectfully urges that "Regulations for the protection of Sea Lions in the Waters of Alaska," promulgated July 1, 1941, and reissued in identical form November 17, 1941, be repealed.

AND YOUR MEMORIALIST WILL EVER PRAY.

Passed by the House February 16, 1949.

Approved by the Governor, February 21, 1949.

HOUSE MEMORIAL NO. 5

TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES, SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR, THE DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENSE, THE CONGRESS AND THE DELEGATE FROM ALASKA:

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

WHEREAS, the necessity of immediate road construction in Alaska is obvious when the limited extent of the present Alaska highway system is noted. At the present time there are only 2,837 miles of road to serve the 586,400 square miles of the Territory. The development of Alaska depends upon the early linking of port cities with Interior points; and,

WHEREAS, the proposed Copper River Highway, extending from Cordova to Chitina, a distance of 131 miles, would serve as a connecting link between the United States and strategic military areas and major cities in Alaska while at the same time making avail-