

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of Sea Lions in the Waters of Alaska," promulgated July 1, 1941, and reissued in identical form November 17, 1941, be repealed.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-

able a wealth of valuable resources in a 53,000 square-mile area; and,

WHEREAS, a segment of said route which is 15 miles of well surfaced road from Cordova to the Federal Government airport has already been constructed, and the old road bed of the now abandoned Copper River Railway is available (with steel bridges) as a foundation upon which to build said road at a reduced cost; and,

WHEREAS, in addition to its importance from a military standpoint, which importance is enhanced because it could easily be kept open the year around, said road would open up an area of scenic grandeur for enjoyment of tourists and others as well as industrial potentials in the fields of mining, lumbering farming, trapping, etc.

NOW THEREFORE, your memorialist, the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska, urges that the proposed Copper River Highway be given first consideration on the list of new Federal road projects for Alaska.

AND YOUR MEMORIALIST WILL EVER PRAY.

Passed by the House, February 16, 1949.

Approved by the Governor February 19, 1949.

HOUSE MEMORIAL NO. 6

TO THE PRESIDENT AND CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES, THE SECRETARY OF INTERIOR, THE CHIEF OF ENGINEERS, DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY, AND THE DELEGATE TO CONGRESS FROM ALASKA:

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

WHEREAS, the Tanana River, immediately above Nenana, flows through a horseshoe bend which impedes the flow of ice and water during breakup time and obstructs the free flow of the river during other times of high water, resulting in floods throughout the town-site of Nenana and vicinity; and,