

SENATE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 14

TO THE PRESIDENT AND CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES,
THE SECRETARY OF STATE, THE SPECIAL ASSISTANT
TO THE UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE, W. N. CHAPMAN,
WASHINGTON, D. C., AND THE DELEGATE IN CONGRESS:

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

WHEREAS, there was established by the Convention for the
preservation of the halibut fishery of the northern Pacific Ocean
and Bering Sea, signed at Washington, D. C., March 2, 1923, and
continued by subsequent Conventions entered into for said purpose
between the United States and Canada, an International Fisheries
Commission; and,

WHEREAS, said International Fisheries Commission, subject
only to the approval of the President of the United States and
the Governor-General of Canada, is vested with and exercises full
regulatory power over the Alaska halibut fishery; and,

WHEREAS, said Alaska halibut fishery is a vital part of Alaska's
economy; and,

WHEREAS, in the quarter century of said International Fish-
eries Commission's existence Alaska has never been represented on
the membership of the Commission; and,

WHEREAS, said International Fisheries Commission in the exer-
cise of its powers annually makes decisions which have sweeping
effect on Alaska's economy, as evidenced by the proposal now under
consideration for a so-called split season in the halibut fishery,
which split season would tend to divert a considerable volume of
business arising from the Alaska halibut fishery from Alaska to
Puget Sound ports and otherwise work a pronounced hardship on
southeastern Alaska;

NOW THEREFORE, your Memorialist, the Legislature of the
Territory of Alaska, respectfully urges that the next vacancy from
among the American members of said International Fisheries Com-

mission be filled by appointment thereto of a bona fide resident of Alaska.

AND YOUR MEMORIALIST WILL EVER PRAY.

Passed by the Senate February 18, 1949.

Passed by the House February 24, 1949.

Approved by the Governor March 4, 1949.

SENATE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 15

TO THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES, THE UNITED STATES PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE, AND THE HONORABLE E. L. BARTLETT, DELEGATE TO CONGRESS FROM ALASKA:

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

WHEREAS, the people of Alaska are desirous of bringing the Territory to a high state of development and the health of our people is of prime importance in the development of the Territory; and,

WHEREAS, the Honorable E. L. Bartlett, Delegate to Congress from Alaska has introduced an amendment to the Federal Hospital Survey and Construction Act to provide \$250,000.00 in place of \$100,000.00 per year now authorized to construct hospitals in the Territory in order to provide the best possible care for Alaskan citizens; and,

WHEREAS, Alaskan communities must depend on Federal subsidy to assist them in constructing community facilities;

NOW THEREFORE, your Memorialist, the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska, respectfully urges that the Congress favorably consider the amendment to the Federal Hospital Survey and Con-