

WHEREAS, the said \$1,837,000.00 appropriation was stricken from Public Law 649 in the closing days of the 80th Congress; and,

WHEREAS, the Chief of United States Engineers has requested from the 81st Congress now in session, the sum of \$1,020,000.00 to be expended on Nome Harbor improvements, including the seawall, during 1949;

NOW THEREFORE, your Memorialist, the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska, respectfully urges your support for an appropriation by the present Congress of \$1,020,000.00 to carry out the seawall and harbor improvement project at Nome, Alaska, to safeguard said city and national defense operations in the vicinity thereof.

AND YOUR MEMORIALIST WILL EVER PRAY.

Passed by the Senate February 26, 1949.

Passed by the House March 16, 1949.

Approved by the Governor March 19, 1949.

SENATE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 17

TO THE HONORABLE HARRY S. TRUMAN, PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES; THE HONORABLE JOHN W. SNYDER, SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY; THE HONORABLE J. A. KRUG, SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR; THE HONORABLE CHARLES SAWYER, SECRETARY OF COMMERCE; THE HONORABLE WILLIAM W. SMITH, CHAIRMAN, UNITED STATES MARITIME COMMISSION; THE HONORABLE JOSEPH C. O'MAHONEY, CHAIRMAN, SENATE COMMITTEE ON INTERIOR AND INSULAR AFFAIRS; THE HONORABLE EDWIN C. JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN, SENATE COMMITTEE ON INTERSTATE AND FOREIGN COMMERCE; THE HONORABLE HOMER E. CAPEHART, UNITED STATES SENATE; THE HONORABLE HUGH BUTLER, UNITED

STATES SENATE; THE HONORABLE SCHUYLER O. BLAND, CHAIRMAN, HOUSE COMMITTEE ON MERCHANT MARINE AND FISHERIES; THE HONORABLE ANDREW L. SOMMERS, CHAIRMAN, HOUSE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC LANDS; THE HONORABLE E. L. BARTLETT, DELEGATE TO CONGRESS FROM ALASKA:

Your Memorialist, the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska, in Nineteenth regular session assembled, respectfully represents that:

WHEREAS, materials valuable to national defense are produced by the Riverside Tungsten Mine at Hyder, Alaska on Portland Canal; and,

WHEREAS, it is impossible to move the ore from the mine to smelters in the United States on American flag vessels since no American companies serve the port of Hyder; and,

WHEREAS, foreign vessels of Union Steamships Limited of Vancouver, British Columbia make regular calls to the port of Hyder incident to the carrying of ore and supplies for a similar mine immediately across the Canadian border at Stewart, British Columbia; and ,

WHEREAS, the provisions of Section 27 of the Merchant Marine Act of 1920 as amended (46 U.S.C. 883) prohibit transportation of merchandise on foreign vessels between Alaska ports and those in the United States proper; and,

WHEREAS, special waivers of the said regulation have been provided by Congress to permit ore of the Riverside Tungsten Mine to be carried on Canadian ships on the last two working seasons; and,

WHEREAS, the mine will be unable to operate in 1949 unless a similar waiver is provided promptly at the present session of Congress;

NOW THEREFORE, your Memorialist, the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska, in Nineteenth regular session assembled, respectfully urges that, without prejudice to Alaska's long-standing request for general exemption from the restrictive provisions of the Merchant Marine Act of 1920 as amended (46 U.S.C. 883), the Congress immediately enact legislation which has been introduced by

the Honorable E. L. Bartlett, Delegate in Congress from Alaska, to permit transportation of passengers and merchandise in Canadian vessels between Hyder and points in continental United States.

AND YOUR MEMORIALIST WILL EVER PRAY.

Passed by the Senate March 2, 1949.

Passed by the House March 16, 1949.

Approved by the Governor March 19, 1949.

SENATE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 18

TO THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES, THE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR, THE U. S. ARMY ENGINEERS AND THE DELEGATE FROM ALASKA:

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

WHEREAS, many of the residents of the town of Haines, Alaska, depend upon fishing for a livelihood, and use a sizable fleet of small fishing boats in carrying out their occupational activities; and,

WHEREAS, there are no harbor facilities for small boats at Haines and during the winter months said boats are at the mercy of the northern winds which often wreak destructive havoc upon the unprotected fishing fleet; and,

WHEREAS, there is plenty of native material available near Haines for the purpose of constructing a seawall which would provide adequate protection for the Haines fishing fleet; and,

WHEREAS, the town of Haines is without funds sufficient to build said seawall for the construction of a small boat harbor for Haines;