

AND YOUR MEMORIALIST WILL EVER PRAY.

Passed by the Senate March 4, 1949.

Passed by the House March 18, 1949.

Approved by the Governor March 22, 1949.

SENATE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 26

TO THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES AND TO THE
DELEGATE FROM ALASKA:

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

WHEREAS, the Territory of Alaska is desirous of implementing its democratic process so that the laws of the Territory may reflect more closely and truly the will of the people thereof; and,

WHEREAS, it is the tradition and policy of the United States of America to grant more self-government to its territories so that they too may enjoy the blessings of individual and collective liberty and self-determination; and,

WHEREAS, the initiative and referendum and recall have been a tested and proven means whereby, in many states, these blessings have been secured to the people; and,

WHEREAS, it has been well settled in the courts that the initiative and referendum and recall are constitutional and are in harmony with the republican form of government;

NOW THEREFORE, your Memorialist, the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska, respectfully requests the Congress of the United States to enact legislation which will give the people of Alaska the powers of initiative and referendum and recall.

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Passed by the House March 17, 1949.

Approved by the Governor March 21, 1949.

SENATE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 27

TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES; THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES; THE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR; THE DELEGATE TO CONGRESS FROM ALASKA AND THE GENERAL MANAGER OF THE ALASKA RAILROAD:

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

WHEREAS, considerations of national defense and of strengthening the economy of the Territory of Alaska require that the federally owned Alaska Railroad be placed in condition for efficient operation; and,

WHEREAS, substantial progress toward this goal has been made by the present General Manager of the Alaska Railroad and his associates under the so-called Alaska Railroad rehabilitation program; and,

WHEREAS, the sum of \$38,000,000 has been requested from the Federal Government to carry into effect so much of the program as is feasible in the 1950 fiscal year, such request now being considered by the Congress;

NOW THEREFORE, your Memorialist, the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska, respectfully requests that the General Manager of the Alaska Railroad, the Secretary of the Interior, and Delegate to Congress from Alaska, the Congress of the United States and all others who have had a part in drawing up and effectuating the Alaska Railroad rehabilitation program should be and the same are hereby complimented and thanked for their efforts on behalf of the people of Alaska;