

## SENATE MEMORIAL NO. 6

TO MR. CLARENCE RHODE, REGIONAL DIRECTOR, FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE, AT JUNEAU; SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR AND TO THE DELEGATE FROM ALASKA:

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

WHEREAS, the Fish and Wildlife Service proposes to open Kachemak Bay to allow 10,000 barrels of herring to be taken during the year 1949; and,

WHEREAS, due to former lack of conservation, it became necessary to close Kachemak Bay to Herring fishery more than twenty years ago; and,

WHEREAS, the livelihood of Seldovia and vicinity depends solely upon the fishing industry and its continuance; and,

WHEREAS, the taking of 10,000 barrels of Herring in this area will again totally deplete the few Herring that are slowly making a comeback in this former rich herring ground and will destroy our resources for another twenty years; and,

WHEREAS, no herring should be taken from Kachemak Bay for fertilizer or oil, but only for halibut bait and food as in former years, and then only with a herring seine and not by purse seine or drag net;

NOW THEREFORE, your Memorialist respectfully requests that Kachemak Bay area be not opened in 1949 for the taking of any Herring, except for halibut bait or food, and then only by herring seines and not purse seines or drag nets, in order that these natural resources be conserved.

AND YOUR MEMORIALIST WILL EVER PRAY.

Passed by the Senate March 22, 1949.

Approved by the Governor March 24, 1949.