

WHEREAS, this Health Center when completed will be headquarters for the Territorial nurse who services not only Naknek but also South Naknek, Ugashik, Pilot Point, Egegik, Levelock, Koggiung, Iguigik, Iliamna, Nondalton and other points.

NOW THEREFORE, your memorialist, the House of Representatives of the Territory of Alaska respectfully urges that the Alaska Department of Health take immediate steps to furnish such help as may be necessary to complete the Health Center at Naknek, Alaska.

AND YOUR MEMORIALIST WILL EVER PRAY.

Passed by the House February 28, 1951.

Approved by the Governor March 2, 1951.

HOUSE MEMORIAL NO. 31

TO THE CHAIRMAN OF THE UNITED STATES SENATE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS, THE CHAIRMAN OF THE UNITED STATES SENATE COMMITTEE ON INTERIOR AND INSULAR AFFAIRS, THE CHAIRMAN OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS, THE CHAIRMAN OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES COMMITTEE ON INTERIOR AND INSULAR AFFAIRS, THE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR AND THE DELEGATE TO CONGRESS FROM ALASKA:

Your Memorialist, the House of Representatives of the Territory of Alaska, in Twentieth Session assembled, respectfully represents:

WHEREAS, by an Act of Congress approved August 24, 1949 (48 USCA 486,) there was created an Alaska Public Works program authorizing the construction of useful public works for the development of the Territory of Alaska; and

WHEREAS, in recognition by the United States of the Federal government's impact on existing public works and community facili-

ties in Alaska, initial financing of the construction of public works under said Act was to be borne by the United States with the provision that the Territory of Alaska and its political sub-divisions, as applicants under the Act, would purchase such public works from the United States at not less than 50%, in the aggregate, of the total estimated cost to the United States of all public works so provided; and

WHEREAS, the Alaska Public Works program, so created, has already afforded Alaskan communities and the Territory of Alaska some relief by provision of urgently needed public works, and gives great promise of solving in large measure critical problems arising directly from Alaska's acute shortage of basic public works and community facilities of every nature; but

WHEREAS annual appropriations under the authorization made by said Act have been disappointingly small, thereby curtailing the program's initial scope notwithstanding demonstrable hazards to life and health arising from the absence or inadequacy of existing facilities, and growing population demands for such public works, and

WHEREAS, Congressional appropriations for said program could be made to go farther, with resultant expansion of the program and earlier realization of individual projects, by amendment of said Act to provide an alternative financing formula or arrangement, namely, a 50% Federal grant-in-aid to those applicants who are in position to finance a 50% share of project costs initially, thereby relieving the Federal appropriation in any given year of the program's full cost and enabling such Federal appropriation's application to a greater number of projects than is possible under the existing arrangement whereby 100% of project costs are met initially from Federal funds;

NOW THEREFORE, your memorialist, the House of Representatives of the Territory of Alaska in Twentieth Regular Session assembled, respectfully urges that the Congress of the United States amend said Act of August 24, 1949 (49 USCA 486) to effectuate the above proposal for grant-in-aid alternative financing of such public works and thereby accelerate and expand said program toward earlier realization of its purpose and benefits and fuller utilization of Federal appropriations provided therefor.

AND YOUR MEMORIALIST WILL EVER PRAY.

Passed by the House, March 3, 1951.

Approved by the Governor, March 6, 1951.