

WHEREAS, despite this withdrawal from its responsibilities, the Alaska Native Service has been spending more and more millions of dollars every year; and

WHEREAS, the large amount of Federal funds now going to pay the salaries and overhead of the numerous employees of the Alaska Native Service could achieve real results if it reached the Native residents of Alaska instead of going to the aforesaid Federal bureaucrats.

NOW THEREFORE, Your Memorialist, the House of Representatives of the Territory of Alaska, respectfully prays that the Alaska Native Service be abolished and that Federal funds in sums consistent with what has heretofore been spent to maintain that agency be turned over annually by the Federal Government to the Territorial Treasury for use in improving the condition of Alaska's Native residents and placing them on a plane of absolute and actual equality with the rest of the citizens of Alaska.

AND YOUR MEMORIALIST WILL EVER PRAY.

Passed by the House, March 13, 1951.

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## HOUSE MEMORIAL NO. 50

TO: CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES; THE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR; AND THE DELEGATE FROM ALASKA:

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

WHEREAS, the Public Welfare laws of the Territory of Alaska, in providing for general relief for indigent and destitute residents of the Territory, prohibit the granting of any relief to Indian or or Eskimo residents of the Territory who are provided for by the Department of the Interior out of the funds of the Treasury of the United States; and

WHEREAS, out of funds presently appropriated by Congress for the Bureau of Indian Affairs of the United States, certain amounts are allotted by such Bureau to the Alaska Native Service for the purposes of providing general relief for the needy Indians and Eskimos of the Territory; and

WHEREAS, the amounts of such funds made available to the Alaska Native Service are completely inadequate to meet the needs of the destitute and indigent Indians and Eskimos of the Territory, and are, in fact, so small that they will not even provide relief for such persons at a much lower standard than that presently existing under the Territorial Public Welfare laws applicable to the white residents of the Territory; and

WHEREAS, many poverty stricken Indians and Eskimos of the Territory are suffering great privation because of a lack of funds to provide them even the bare necessities of life;

NOW THEREFORE, your Memorialist, the House of Representatives of the Territory of Alaska, respectfully urges that Congress immediately appropriate for the use of the Alaska Native Service funds in an amount sufficient to meet the desperate needs of the indigent and destitute Indians and Eskimos in the Territory of Alaska.

AND YOUR MEMORIALIST WILL EVER PRAY.

Passed by the House March 13, 1951.

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## HOUSE MEMORIAL NO. 51

TO THE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR; THE SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE; THE SECRETARY OF STATE; THE COMMISSIONER OF ROADS FOR ALASKA; THE BUREAU OF PUBLIC ROADS; THE DELEGATE IN CONGRESS FROM ALASKA; AND TO THE HONORABLE J. AUBREY SIMMONS, HOUSE OF COMMONS, OTTAWA, ONTARIO, CANADA: