

ing World War II) the distance and transportation time between Alaska and the midwestern and eastern states is reduced considerably;

WHEREAS, an attitude of "indefensibility" concerning Alaska, accompanied by a reluctance to see major developments occur in the Territory of Alaska, prevails in the National Security Resources Board by those who led the drive to remove defense industries from the Pacific Northwest for the identical reasons of "indefensibility" some two years ago; and

WHEREAS, it is most unlikely, owing to the negative approach regarding utilization of Alaska's resources expressed by defense production and procurement agencies, that the Territory of Alaska will be given the opportunity to directly associate its productive capacity with the national effort unless significant changes are made in present departmental policies;

NOW THEREFORE, your Memorialist, the Senate of the Territory of Alaska, in Twentieth Session assembled, respectfully urges the Honorable Members of the Senate of the United States to examine the policies of the national defense production and procurement agencies respecting Alaska with the view of designating wherever possible Territorial resource and development agencies, departments which fully understand Alaska's production capabilities and sincerely are interested in the Territory's development, as Alaska representatives of the respective agencies of the national defense production and procurement program, including the Defense Fisheries Administration, Defense Minerals Administration, Defense Production Agency, Emergency Procurement Service, Office of Military Procurement and the National Security Resources Board.

AND YOUR MEMORIALIST WILL EVER PRAY.

Passed by the Senate, February 28, 1951.

Approved by the Governor, March 2, 1951.

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#### SENATE MEMORIAL NO. 4

TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES; THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE; DIRECTOR OF DEFENSE MOBILIZA-

TION; CHAIRMAN, NATIONAL SECURITY RESOURCES BOARD; CHAIRMAN, MUNITIONS BOARD; DIRECTOR, NATIONAL PRODUCTION AUTHORITY; CHAIRMAN, SUB-COMMITTEE ON ALASKA PREPAREDNESS OF THE SENATE ARMED FORCES COMMITTEE; THE DELEGATE IN CONGRESS FROM ALASKA; CHAIRMAN OF THE SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE AND CHAIRMAN OF THE HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE:

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

WHEREAS, the housing program, currently in progress in Alaska and definitely projected for the immediate future in conjunction with affiliated and like defense needs, is being jeopardized through lack of priority assignments required for essential construction materials; and

WHEREAS, critically needed housing facilities, valued in excess of \$50,000,000.00, principally financed through appropriated government funds, will encounter work stoppages during the coming construction season unless specific priorities are granted for Alaskan projects; and

WHEREAS, any such work stoppage will subsequently result in great financial difficulties for building sponsors utilizing government funds, thereby endangering projects subjected to delays while material and manpower scarcities create mounting costs; and

WHEREAS, multi-million dollar government investments now existent in Alaska will be greatly dissipated through an inactive work season, controlled by climatic factors; and

WHEREAS, the Sub-Committee on Alaska Preparedness of the Senate Armed Forces Committee has publicly deplored the general sub-standard housing situation in Alaska as a demoralizing influence on military personnel and their dependents; and

WHEREAS, the present completely inadequate housing program in Alaska will be disastrously aggravated by any interruption in current or projected construction deriving from lack of priorities qualified to demand essential building materials.

NOW THEREFORE, Your Memorialist, the Senate of the Territory of Alaska, in Twentieth Session assembled, respectfully urges that each and every agency concerned with the allocation of building materials and supplies, immediately designate specific priorities for all housing projects in Alaska financed through government agencies, other than the Department of Defense.

AND YOUR MEMORIALIST WILL EVER PRAY.

Passed by the Senate March 22, 1951.

Approved by the Governor, March 27, 1951.

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### SENATE MEMORIAL NO. 5

TO THE HONORABLE CHARLES F. BRANNAN, SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE, AND TO THE HONORABLE LYLE F. WATTS, CHIEF FORESTER OF THE UNITED STATES:

Your Memorialist, the Senate of the Legislature of Alaska, in

Twentieth Regular Session assembled, respectfully represents:

WHEREAS, the laws of the United States and particularly the Act of June 4, 1897 (16 United States Code Annotated, Section 476) prohibits the export of logs from national forests in Alaska except when in the discretion of the Secretary of Agriculture the supply of timber for local use will not be endangered thereby, and the Secretary of Agriculture is given power by law to issue rules and regulations regarding the export of logs and and timber from national forest lands of Alaska, and the present regulation prohibits such export, and

WHEREAS, strong efforts are being made to change the law and to induce the Secretary of Agriculture and the Chief Forester of the United States to change their regulations with respect to the export of logs and to permit the export thereof to British Columbia and points in the State of Washington and elsewhere in order that they may be manufactured into pulp and paper products in the Province of British Columbia and the State of Washington and elsewhere, outside of Alaska, and