

NOW THEREFORE, your Memorialist, the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska, in regular Session convened, requests that the Congress of the United States may be pleased to exempt from taxation for a period of three and one-half years after production commences all income derived from the industrial use and production of natural resources in the territory but limited to income derived from capital investment which has not been placed in productive operation prior to January 1, 1953.

AND YOUR MEMORIALIST WILL EVER PRAY.

Passed by the House, February 20, 1953.

Passed by the Senate, February 26, 1953.

HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 15

TO THE HONORABLE DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER, PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES; THE HONORABLE DOUGLAS McKAY, SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR; THE COMMITTEE ON INTERIOR AND INSULAR AFFAIRS OF THE UNITED STATES SENATE; THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC LANDS, UNITED STATES HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES; THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES:

Your Memorialist, the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska, in Twenty-first Session assembled, respectfully represents:

WHEREAS, statehood in the American union on a basis of full equality has long been an aspiration of the people of Alaska, believing in government of, by and for the people; and

WHEREAS, the people of Alaska have, for a long time past, demonstrated their ability and fitness to assume the full rights, obligations and duties of citizens of the United States, and

now desire to form themselves into a state, as the people of all other territories have done before them; and

WHEREAS, the people of our sister Territory of Hawaii enjoy the prospect of being admitted to statehood at the present Session of the Congress of the United States; and

WHEREAS, the people of the United States, Committees of the Congress of the United States, and the National platforms of both our major political parties have called for the early admission of Alaska to statehood.

NOW THEREFORE, Your Memorialist, the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska respectfully prays that the Congress of the United States, at its present Session, adopt adequate enabling legislation providing for the admission of Alaska as a State of the Union.

AND YOUR MEMORIALIST WILL EVER PRAY.

Passed by the House February 14, 1953.

Passed by the Senate February 20, 1953.

HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 17

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

Your Memorialist, the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska, in Twenty-first session assembled, respectfully represents:

WHEREAS, the economy and welfare of Alaska and the successful prosecution of the defense effort in Alaska are almost wholly dependent upon uninterrupted water-borne commerce between the United States and Alaska; and