

HOUSE MEMORIAL NO. 6

TO THE HON. DOUGLAS McKAY, SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR OF THE UNITED STATES:

Your Memorialist, the House of Representatives of the Territory of Alaska, in Twenty-first Regular Session assembled, respectfully submits that:

WHEREAS, the Alaska Railroad is the primary means of mass transportation within the interior of Alaska; and,

WHEREAS, operation of this transportation facility over the hazardous terrain and in variable climatic extremes presents intricate operating problems common only to Alaska; and,

WHEREAS, special knowledge and experience is required to coordinate civilian and military traffic needs through the integration of all forms of transportation to, from and within Alaska; and,

WHEREAS, the knowledge and skill required to properly solve these transportation problems can be acquired only by actual railroad experience in Alaska; and,

WHEREAS, the present General Manager of the Alaska Railroad has tendered his resignation, making the selection of a successor necessary; and,

WHEREAS, the people of Alaska are desirous that this successor be an Alaskan who is qualified through actual railroad operating experience in Alaska; and,

WHEREAS, there is available an Alaskan who possesses all of the necessary qualifications for the position of General Manager of the Alaska Railroad and who has been endorsed for that position by the Republican Party of Alaska and who has the support of all Alaskans residing within the railbelt area;

NOW THEREFORE, Your Memorialist, the House of Representatives of the Territory of Alaska, respectfully urges that

the Secretary of the Interior of the United States give earnest consideration to the wishes of the people of Alaska in the selection of a new General Manager of the Alaska Railroad.

AND YOUR MEMORIALIST WILL EVER PRAY.

Passed by the House February 16, 1953.

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE MEMORIAL
NO. 7

TO THE HONORABLE DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER, PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES; TO THE HONORABLE DOUGLAS McKAY, SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR; TO SENATOR EDWARD J. THYE, CHAIRMAN OF THE SENATE SMALL BUSINESS COMMITTEE; TO SENATOR CHARLES W. TOBEY, CHAIRMAN OF THE SENATE INTERSTATE AND FOREIGN COMMERCE COMMITTEE, AND TO THE MEMBERS OF THE CIVIL AERONAUTICS BOARD:

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

WHEREAS, non-scheduled airlines flying to and within the Territory of Alaska provide a vital and necessary service to the growth and well-being of the Territory; and

WHEREAS, alternative means of transportation common in the states, such as railroads and truck lines either do not exist in Alaska or serve only limited areas; and

WHEREAS, non-scheduled airlines first proved the possibility of air freight to Alaska with resulting lower rates; and

WHEREAS, the President of the United States, in the light of long range requirements and planning, in May, 1951, requested the Civil Aeronautics Board to initiate and carry