

manner on the basis of such surveys, and to permit the public school system to materially benefit from increased revenues from surveyed land which will become re-

served for the support of the schools upon survey.

And your Memorialist will ever pray.

Passed by the House, March 4, 1955

Passed by the Senate, March 10, 1955

HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 13

To the Honorable Dwight D. Eisenhower, President of the United States of America; the United States Senate; the United States House of Representatives; the Secretary of the Interior; the Director, Bureau of the Budget; and the Honorable E. L. Bartlett, Delegate to Congress from Alaska:

Your Memorialist, the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska, in Twenty-second Regular Session assembled, respectfully submits that:

WHEREAS, fishing is the main industry of Alaska; and

WHEREAS, water transportation is the chief method of serving the exports and imports of Alaska; and

WHEREAS, the use and occupancy of the tide and submerged land adjacent to the shores of navigable waters in Alaska is essential to its fishing and water transportation industries; and

WHEREAS, improvements valued in the millions of dollars have been constructed on the tide and submerged land of Alaska at all its coastal towns and outlying fishing establishments; and

WHEREAS, the tide lands of Alaska are held in trust by the federal government for the future State of Alaska; and

WHEREAS, the federal government has not by statute legalized the occupancy of tide and submerged land of Alaska; and

WHEREAS, the federal government has not fully administered the use made of tide flats, thus depriving the Territory of much revenue and also caused continuation of an unstable economic condition by not authorizing use or sale of tide and submerged lands; and

WHEREAS, proper administration of the tide and submerged lands by

the Territory will encourage venture capital to invest in coastal industries,

NOW THEREFORE, your Memorialist, the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska, in Twenty-second Regular Session assembled, respectfully urges that the federal government grant the Territory the same right as has been granted other States under the Submerged

Land Act of May 23, 1953 (67 Stat. 69) (43 USC 1301) and that Section 2 of the Act of May 14, 1898 (30 Stat. 409; 48 USC 411); Section 26 of the Act of June 6, 1900 (61 Stat. 916, 48 USC 381); and Section 4 of the Act of July 31, 1947 (64 Stat. 572, 43 USC 1188) be amended to conform to the grant of such right.

And your Memorialist will ever pray.

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HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 14

To the Honorable Douglas McKay, Secretary of the Interior; the Honorable E. L. Bartlett, Delegate to Congress from Alaska; and to the Congress of the United States:

WHEREAS, it is essential to implement the food resources of the native people during reoccurring yearly periods of seasonal non-activities; and

Your Memorialist, the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska in Twenty-second Regular Session assembled, respectfully submits that:

WHEREAS, there is now evidence of herd increases as the result of the program of the Alaska Native Service, Bureau of Indian Affairs;

WHEREAS, there is a need to rehabilitate the reindeer industry of Alaska on a sound long-term basis; and

NOW THEREFORE, your Memorialist the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska respectfully requests that additional funds be made available by the Department of the Interior to assist the present native owners of reindeer herds and to aid additional interested Eskimos in acquiring and establish-

WHEREAS, it is desirable to provide a basic economy and employment for the native people of remote areas of Alaska; and