

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.

Passed by the House, March 4, 1955

Passed by the Senate, March 10, 1955

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:

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

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

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

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

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

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-

ing herds for the expansion of this particular industry.

And your Memorialist will ever pray.

Passed by the House, February 21, 1955

Passed by the Senate, March 3, 1955

HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 15

To the Honorable Dwight D. Eisenhower, President of the United States of America; the Honorable Richard Nixon, President of the Senate; the Honorable Sam Rayburn, Speaker of the United States House of Representatives; the Honorable Carl Hayden, Chairman, Senate Committee on Appropriations; the Honorable Clarence Cannon, Chairman, House Committee on Appropriations; 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, the people of Alaska desire to attract new industry and new population to the Territory, to develop Alaska's economy to a high level, resulting in a higher standard of living and the creation of "Taxable Treasure" through utilization of natural resources; and

WHEREAS, Wood Canyon on the Copper River, the largest remaining undeveloped hydroelectric power

site on the Pacific Coast of the United States, has been under investigation during the past few years; and

WHEREAS, development of the Wood Canyon power site would attract and permit the establishment of aluminum and/or other light metals industries and other large consumers of low-cost hydroelectric energy in the electrochemical and electrometallurgical fields; and

WHEREAS, copper deposits in the region are not being worked during a period of serious copper shortages throughout the free world owing to the lack of surface transportation to Cordova, Alaska, a year-round, deep-water seaport; and

WHEREAS, the Katalla petroleum province, also adjacent to Cordova, cannot be explored adequately, or brought into actual production without construction of an access road link with Cordova; and

WHEREAS, the Bering River coal field, estimated to cover more than 50 square miles and to contain