

free American citizens; and

establishment in case of sudden emergency;

WHEREAS believing in the maintenance of strong defensive measures against outside aggressors for both the Territory and for the States to the south of us, and knowing that retaining sufficient air service between the States and Alaska would provide aircraft, experienced flight crews and ground personnel as well as airway facilities for the use of the military

NOW THEREFORE, your Memorialist respectfully urges the President, the Congress of the United States, and the Civil Aeronautics Board to maintain our present air service to Alaska, and to resist by every means within their power, the efforts of any person, board or agency to reduce the number of airlines serving the Territory.

And your Memorialist will ever pray.

Passed by the Senate, January 26, 1955

SENATE MEMORIAL NO. 2

To the Honorable E. George Siedele, Assistant Postmaster General, Washington, D. C., and Mr. Hollis Hendricks, U. S. Post Office, Cordova, Alaska.

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

WHEREAS, steamer service to Alaska has been greatly curtailed, and

WHEREAS, parcel post, first and fourth class mail destined for Cordova has been unloaded from the ships at Seward, Alaska, and trans-

shipped directly by air from Seward to Cordova, and

WHEREAS, recently parcel post and fourth class mail was eliminated from air shipment and is now brought to Anchorage via train, then by truck to the Anchorage Post Office for sorting, thence to the International Airport by truck, and thence to Cordova by air, and

WHEREAS, this new method of handling is greatly delaying the delivery of fourth class mail and parcel post to Cordova, a city of the first class in Alaska, and

WHEREAS, there is no apparent saving commensurate with the re-

duction in the quality of service,

THEREFORE, your Memorialist prays that the Post Office Department review its present procedure,

and reinstate the air transportation of all mail and parcel post from Seward to Cordova,

And your Memorialist will ever pray.

Passed by the Senate, February 16, 1955

SENATE MEMORIAL NO. 3

To the Honorable Douglas McKay, Secretary of the Interior; to Glenn L. Emmons, Commissioner of Indian Affairs; and to William H. Olsen, Director, Alaska Native Service:

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

WHEREAS, it is our responsibility and intent to provide proper educational opportunities to all peoples of Alaska, native or non-native, and

WHEREAS, the laws of the United States provide that the Alaska Native Service is responsible for the education of the native people of the Territory of Alaska, and

WHEREAS, these needs are not presently being adequately met for more than 200 native school children in the operation of five old

and inadequate school buildings at Kotzebue, Alaska, and

WHEREAS, these old and widely separated buildings are costly to operate and to maintain, and

WHEREAS, the Territory of Alaska should not be required, through local responsibility, to assume the excessive cost of maintenance and operation of five old and widely separated buildings, and

WHEREAS, no high school is available to any school children in the entire Arctic region, and

WHEREAS, Kotzebue, Alaska, acts as a hub for activities of eleven villages of the Arctic area and is showing steadily increasing native population growth as a result of increasing integration of native residents into the Territorial economy, and

WHEREAS, it is the birthright of every American citizen to have equal education opportunities,