

House Joint Memorials

HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 1

To the Honorable Dwight D. Eisenhower, President of the United States; The Honorable Fred Seaton, Secretary of the Interior; The Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs of the United States Senate; The Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs, United States House of Representatives; The Congress of the United States

Your Memorialist, the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska, in Twenty-third 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 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; and

WHEREAS, the Territory of Alaska has now written and adopted a constitution for the proposed State of Alaska, by overwhelming majority, and has elected a Representative and Senators to the Congress of the United States, as provided by the Constitution;

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 legislation admitting Alaska as a State of the Union and seating its duly elected representatives.

And your Memorialist will ever pray.

Passed by the House January 28, 1957.

Passed by the Senate January 31, 1957.

HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 2

To: The President of the United States, the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives of the Congress of the United States, the Attorney General, the Postmaster General, the Secretary of the In-

terior, the Director of the Public Building Administration, the Delegate to Congress from Alaska, Alaska Senators elect William Egan and Ernest Gruening, Alaska Congressman elect Ralph Rivers and the Committee on