

mined that the needs of these village units could best be met by providing them with prefabricated metal Arctic type buildings, fully insulated, with their own heating units and electric generators; and

WHEREAS, the Territorial Military Department has requested the Department of the Army to provide such facilities through 100% Federal financing as authorized to reserve components of the active military establishment by provisions of Section 3a, Public Law 783 (81st Congress) and Public Law 302 (84th Congress);

NOW THEREFORE, Your Memorialist, the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska, respectfully prays that the United States Officers, the Chairmen of the Military Affairs Committees of the U. S. Senate and House of Representatives,

and the Delegate to Congress from Alaska and the Senators and the Congressman-Elect from Alaska, to whom this Memorial is directed, lend all possible support and exert every energy within their power to approve and implement the request of the Territorial Military Department for the construction of pre-fabricated armories for the fifty-one (51) village units of the First and Second Scout Battalions of the Alaska National Guard as they carry out their special assignment in support of the active military forces of the United States.

**And your Memorialist will ever pray.**

Passed by the House March 5, 1957.

Passed by the Senate March 14, 1957

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## HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 17

**To the Honorable John Foster Dulles, United States Secretary of State; to the Honorable E. L. Bartlett, Delegate to Congress from Alaska; and the Honorable James T. Pyle, Administrator, Civil Aeronautics Administration.**

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

WHEREAS, the Scandinavian Airlines System now operates North Pole flights, which are permitted to refuel at Anchorage, Alaska, enroute between Europe and Asia; and

WHEREAS, the State Department of the United States has continu-

ously refused to grant traffic rights to the said airline to enable it to take on and discharge passengers at Anchorage on its North Pole route; and

WHEREAS, Alaskans now wishing to go to Europe or the Far East must travel to the States to board aircraft for Europe or Asia, which further travel adds considerably to the inconvenience, cost and time involved in making such trips; and

WHEREAS, the Scandinavian Airlines System, if permitted to take on and discharge passengers at the Anchorage International Airport, would provide service to and from Europe or Asia at less inconvenience, cost and travel time to Alaskans and to residents of the

Western portion of the United States than is now available; and

WHEREAS, the granting of such permission to the Scandinavian Airlines System would establish a brisk European travel to and from the United States and Alaska, and would greatly benefit Alaska's economy by stimulating airline business already conducted within the Territory, and by increasing the tourist trade in Alaska.

NOW THEREFORE, Your Memorialist, the Legislature of Alaska

respectfully urges that the United States Department of State extend the present limited permission, allowing the Scandinavian Airlines System to also include authorization to take on and to discharge passengers at said airport.

**And your Memorialist will ever pray.**

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### HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 18

**To the President of the United States; Congress of the United States; the Secretary of Interior; the Director of the Bureau of Land Management; and the Delegate to Congress from Alaska.**

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

WHEREAS, the development of the oil and gas resources of the Territory of Alaska is of vital importance to the development and economy of the Territory and to the national defense of the United States and its Territories and possessions; and

WHEREAS, most of the known geologic areas favorable to the development of oil and gas reserves in Alaska lie beneath or are bordered by shorelands, tide and submerged lands and inland waters; and

WHEREAS, such Alaska lands are now "held in trust for the future State of Alaska" and under present law and the territorial status of

the Territory of Alaska there is no means by which such shorelands, tidal and submerged lands may be leased for oil and gas drilling and development; and

WHEREAS, representatives of the oil industry have urged that these underwater lands be made available for leasing so that the further search for oil and gas deposits, and their development, if found, can freely follow the indicated and demonstrated geology and will not be impeded by the arbitrary boundaries between dry land and underwater lands; and

WHEREAS, it is common knowledge that the existence and extent of oil and gas deposits cannot be positively determined except by the actual drilling of wells; and

WHEREAS, it is the sense of your Memorialist that everything possible should be done to encourage and extend to further areas the search for and development of oil and gas deposits within the Territory and in its tidal and coastal waters; and