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HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 7

To the Honorable Waino Hendrickson, Acting Governor of Alaska; the Honorable Sinclair Weeks, Secretary of Commerce; the Honorable C. D. Curtiss, Commissioner of the Bureau of Public Roads; the Honorable A. F. Ghiglione, Acting Regional Engineer, Region Ten, Bureau of Public Roads; the Honorable Irving Reed, Territorial Highway Engineer.

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

WHEREAS, the commerce, industry, and population of the city of Kodiak, Alaska, are rapidly growing; and

WHEREAS, about 10,000 persons, including personnel attached to the U. S. Naval Station at Kodiak, reside in the city and its environs, and there are 3,749 registered motor vehicles in and around the city and 1,250 on the Naval Station, making a total of 4,999 vehicles that will be operated on Kodiak roads during 1957; and

WHEREAS, only 60 miles of roads exist on Kodiak to accommodate such vehicles, with only thirteen miles of road around the city and about 47 miles of road on the other side of the Kodiak Naval Station, on which only persons with passes may travel; and

WHEREAS, construction on public roads outside the city has amounted to very little, if any, in the past 15 years; and

WHEREAS, the location, survey and construction of a road approximately 3/8ths of a mile long between Mission Road and Mill Bay Roads, departing Mission Road close to the inlet of Spruce Haven Lake, sometimes referred to as Mission Lake, and terminating about the outlet of Beaver Lake, is direly needed to open up new land now held in reserve for further expansion of the community, as well as for relieving traffic on the lower ends of Mission and Mill Bay roads; and

WHEREAS, the location, survey and construction of a road approximately 20 miles long departing from the road to Miller Point and continuing along the north shore of Melnitsa Lake, sometimes called Island Lake, and continuing to and around the head of Monashka Bay and following the shoreline below and elevation of 250 feet to Otmeloi Point opposite the village of Ouzinki, thence south and west to join the Anton Larsen Bay Road at the head of Anton Larsen Bay, would make available for processing approximately 50 million feet of marketable timber, and would make accessible sand and gravel which is needed by the city of Kodiak for concrete and road building, and would provide opportunity for travel between the communities of Afognak, Ouzinki and Kodiak without requiring the navigation of treacherous Narrow Strait where at least 30 persons have lost their lives in the past 15 years, and would open valuable grazing

and mineral lands and make more accessible the valuable crabbing grounds of Kizhuyak and Marmot Bays; and

WHEREAS, the rehabilitation, standardization and maintenance of the now existing road leading from the boundary of the U. S. Navy Reservation to its terminus at Anton Larsen Bay, which road has not been maintained for years and has become almost impassable in many places, is most urgently requested inasmuch as this road is heavily traveled much of the year by tourists, vacationists, sportsmen, commercial fishermen, and for the hauling of lumber, hay and other supplies necessary to the livelihood of the persons residing and working in the area; and

WHEREAS, the above roads and

road improvements would considerably promote industry, attract new residents and tourists, improve and promote the general progress and economy in this region and greatly lessen the hazards for travel and transportation on Kodiak Island;

NOW, THEREFORE, your Memorialist, the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska in Twenty-third Session assembled, respectfully urges the above road construction and improvements.

And your Memorialist will ever pray.

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HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 8

To the Honorable Waino Hendrickson, Acting Governor of Alaska; the Honorable Sinclair Weeks, Secretary of Commerce; the Honorable C. D. Curtiss, Commissioner of the Bureau of Public Roads; the Honorable A. F. Ghiglione, Acting Regional Engineer, Region Ten, Bureau of Public Roads; the Honorable Irving Reed, Territorial Highway Engineer; the Territorial Board of Road Commissioners.

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

WHEREAS, the agricultural and mineral development of that area between Hope and Kenai, Alaska, along Cook Inlet, has been seriously curtailed because of the lack of

adequate overland transportation in such area; and

WHEREAS, the completion of a road in this region would permit travel between Hope and Kenai at a considerable saving in miles and fuel over travel by the only existing route; and

WHEREAS, such road would further provide a means of evacuating the residents of the populous Anchorage area in the event of a crisis or calamity; and

NOW, THEREFORE, your Memorialist, the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska in Twenty-third Session assembled, respectfully urges the construction of said road.

And your Memorialist will ever pray.