

in regular session of the Twenty-third Legislature assembled, respectfully urges that the proposed Annette Island Road and Ferry System be designated as a portion of the highway system under the

Federal-Aid Highway Program.

And your Memorialist will ever pray.

Passed by the House February 19, 1957.

HOUSE MEMORIAL NO. 6

To the Honorable Waino Hendrickson, Acting Governor of Alaska; the Honorable Sinclair Weeks, Secretary of Commerce; and the Honorable Irving Reed, Territorial Highway Engineer.

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

WHEREAS, at the present time the entire region of Southeast Alaska is without an integrated surface transportation system; and

WHEREAS, because of the topography of this region, virtually all of its towns and villages are separated by mountains and by bodies of water, and it would be highly impractical if not impossible to connect them with roads; and

WHEREAS, a ferry system would offer the only feasible means of establishing a surface transportation system; and

WHEREAS, the question of the cost of constructing an integrated ferry system versus the cost of constructing a potential road system to accomplish a connection with the states would be resolved overwhelmingly in favor of a ferry system, and the annual cost of maintaining a ferry system would amount to considerably less than the cost of maintaining a road of similar

length; and

WHEREAS, without such ferry system Southeast Alaska will not benefit under the Federal Highway-Aid Program; and

WHEREAS, said proposed ferry system would provide a link with Prince Rupert, British Columbia, and would give many thousands of automobile owners in Southeastern Alaska the opportunity to drive to the states; and

WHEREAS, more and more of the American public has turned to the automobile as a means of transportation for vacationing, and the proposed ferry system would establish a circular surface route that does not now exist, permitting surface travel from Prince Rupert, British Columbia, to Haines, Alaska, and the Alcan Highway; and

WHEREAS, the Alaska Inside Passage has been publicized considerably and attracts a tremendous number of tourists each year, even more tourists would be attracted to and would visit Southeast Alaska if a linking ferry system were established,

NOW THEREFORE, your Memorialist, the House of Representatives of the Territory of Alaska, in regular session of the Twenty-third Legislature assembled, respectfully urges that the proposed integrated Ferry System between

Prince Rupert, British Columbia, and Haines, Alaska be designated as a portion of the highway system under the Federal Highway-Aid Program and that the establishment of the ferry system be given a high priority as part of said pro-

gram.

And your Memorialist will ever pray.

Passed by the House March 1, 1957.

HOUSE MEMORIAL NO. 8

To the Secretary of the Interior; the Director of the Fish and Wildlife Service and the Delegate to Congress from Alaska:

Your Memorialist, the House of Representatives of the Territory of Alaska, in Twenty-third Session assembled, respectfully represents:

WHEREAS, it is in the national interest to promote and encourage the growth of year-round industry in the Territory of Alaska; and

WHEREAS, it has been the declared policy of the Interior Department to encourage local industry by requiring processing of raw materials in the area of production; and

WHEREAS, in violation of this

policy, the fur seal pelts harvested annually on the Pribilof Islands in Alaska have been processed in St. Louis, Missouri, for many years,

NOW THEREFORE, your Memorialist, the House of Representatives of the Territory of Alaska, in Twenty-third Session assembled, respectfully urges that the Secretary of the Interior take immediate action to require that all processing of fur seals from the Pribilof Islands be conducted in Alaska.

And your Memorialist will ever pray.

Passed by the House February 25, 1957.

HOUSE MEMORIAL NO. 9

To the Civil Aeronautics Board; The Honorable Warren G. Magnuson, Chairman, Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee, United States Senate; The Honorable E. L. Bartlett, Delegate to Congress from Alaska.

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

WHEREAS, the community of

Dillingham is the largest population center in the Bristol Bay area; and

WHEREAS, it is the commercial center for more than 3,000 persons within its trading area; and

WHEREAS, the population is solely dependent upon air service for transportation; and

WHEREAS, community leaders, U. S. Public Health Service officials and others have testified before the