

because of its transportation facilities, thus affording patients the opportunity of visitation by their families and friends, (2) is favored with many cultural benefits to help rehabilitate those committed to a mental hospital, and (3) is located in the least confining climate zone of the Territory; and

WHEREAS, in determining the financial factor, the City of Anchorage (1) is situated in a locality where the cost of construction, including materials, utilities and maintenance, are minimum for the population served, and (2) has the largest labor resources for the construction and maintaining of a mental health hospital, thus assur-

ing the easy procurement of needed personnel,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the Territory of Alaska, in Twenty-Third Session assembled, that Charles Hayman, M.D., Commissioner of Health for the Territory of Alaska, and on its behalf, is hereby directed to develop a comprehensive construction program to provide for the construction of a main or central mental hospital in or near the City of Anchorage.

Passed by the House March 26, 1957.

## HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 9

**Relating to investigation to determine need for legislation to regulate public utilities.**

WHEREAS, the people in and about the City of Anchorage are being served by two utilities, one municipal and one cooperative; and

WHEREAS, such utilities are duplicating services and are continuously engaged in unnecessary, bitter, and repetitious bickering and controversies, including court litigation; and

WHEREAS, such disputes have resulted in the incurring of additional, wasteful expenses, which have been charged back against the consumers and thus resulted in excessive rates for the furnishing of essential and needed services; and

WHEREAS, the Territory of Alaska is without a public utilities

commission to make investigations and to regulate rates and standards of service; and

WHEREAS, The Territory of Alaska is in urgent need of such a commission or some like regulatory body because of the continuing growth of cities and other areas in Alaska;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the Territory of Alaska, in Twenty-Third Session assembled, that the Legislative Council is directed to conduct hearings in and about the City of Anchorage to determine ways and means of bringing about more efficient, economical and better services to the consumers; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council is directed to invoke its authority to administer oaths, issue subpoenas, compel the

attendance of witnesses and the production of any papers, books of account, documents and testimony and do anything else which it deems necessary and proper to make

findings and recommendations to the Legislature next convening.

Passed by the House March 21, 1957.

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### HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 10

#### **Relating to the 1957 All-Alaska Basketball Championship:**

WHEREAS, High school basketball joins all Alaskans in a common interest, and fosters good natured rivalry between communities; and

WHEREAS, The Anchorage High School Eagles won two out of three games from the valiant Juneau High School Crimson Bears, to become the 1957 All-Alaska Champions;

NOW THEREFORE, The House of Representatives in Twenty-third Session of the Alaska Legislature,

does hereby congratulate the All-Alaska Champion Eagles of the All-American City, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be given to the members of the championship team: Truman Bankston, D. Davidson, Bill Haylor, Richard Hile, Alex Jackson, Gene Janigo, Frank Keenan, Gary Murphy, Bob Nylund, John Ray, Robert Rude and Ed Scott, and to their coach, Bud Ottmar.

Passed by the House March 21, 1957.

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### HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 11

#### **Relating to need of road and street improvements at Fort Yukon, Alaska.**

WHEREAS, Fort Yukon is an isolated village with a population of approximately 400 persons, including both Native and white persons, and,

WHEREAS, the people of the said community have been entirely ignored in their requests for certain street and other improvements in or about the village, and

WHEREAS, the people of Fort Yukon have lost interest in the Territorial elections by reason of said neglect of their needs, and

WHEREAS, the streets and roads

of the village are composed of river silt which in the summer is extremely dusty and during the rainy season is a quagmire of mud, and,

WHEREAS, there is unlimited amounts of gravel within the boundaries of the said village which is easily accessible for the graveling of the streets and roads of said village;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the Territory of Alaska, in Twenty-Third Session assembled, that the Highway Engineer of the Territory of Alaska take proper measures to remedy the road and street conditions now exist-