

nursing at Mt. Edgecumbe provides outstanding vocational training of real value to the State of Alaska; and

WHEREAS, at the present time enrollment in this school is restricted to individuals of native extraction; and

WHEREAS, as a result of this restriction non-native Alaskan students are unable to avail themselves of this valuable training in practical nursing; and

WHEREAS, there is a distinct need for extension of this high type of train-

ing in the State of Alaska; and

WHEREAS, facilities are available to accommodate additional students;

NOW THEREFORE, your Memorialist, the Legislature of the State of Alaska, respectfully urges that immediate action be taken by Congress and the U. S. Public Health Service to open the Mt. Edgecumbe school of practical nursing to all qualified persons, regardless of race.

Passed by the House March 20, 1959.

Passed by the Senate March 28, 1959.

HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 13

To the Honorable Dwight D. Eisenhower, President of the United States; the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House of Representatives; and to the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States, in Congress Assembled:

Your Memorialist, the Legislature of the State of Alaska, in First Session assembled, respectfully submits that:

WHEREAS, in the newly created State of Alaska, the future development of the State will depend upon the orderly development of transportation facilities to, from and within the State of Alaska; and

WHEREAS, the Senate Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee has held hearings in Alaska concerning the problems of transportation; and

WHEREAS, in 1957 at the request of the Senate of the United States, the Interstate Commerce Commission made a comprehensive survey and analysis of the regulatory problems affecting transportation to, from and within Alaska; and

WHEREAS, certain of the transportation facilities are now operating under the federal statutes regulating transportation and subject to the jurisdiction of the Interstate Commerce Commission; and

WHEREAS, the Interstate Commerce Commission in its report to the Senate of the United States has recommended

that the Alaska Railroad, a government corporation, should be subject to the rate and service regulations of the Commission; and

WHEREAS, other transportation facilities in Alaska are not now subject to the same or similar regulatory procedures and control; and

WHEREAS, this lack of uniformity of regulation has permitted inequitable and discriminatory rate practices to the detriment of the shippers and receivers of freight in Alaska and such inequities and lack of uniformity will continue to exist until proper amendments to the Interstate Commerce Act have been promulgated by Congress;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Alaska, do hereby respectfully present to the Congress of the United States and particularly to the Senate and House Committees on Foreign and Interstate Commerce that they give due and immediate consideration to the questions involved with relation to the proper amendments to laws governing interstate commerce affecting the broad problems of transportation to, from and within the newly created State of Alaska; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this Memorial be transmitted to the President of the United States, the President of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, the Honorable E. L.

Bartlett and the Honorable Ernest Gruening, Senators from Alaska and the Honorable Ralph J. Rivers, Representative from Alaska, each Senator and Representative in Congress from the State of

Washington, and to each member of the Senate and House Committees on Foreign and Interstate Commerce.

Passed by the House March 6, 1959.

Passed by the Senate March 10, 1959.

HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 14

To the Honorable Fred A. Seaton, Secretary of the Interior; the Honorable James T. Pyle, Commissioner of the Federal Aeronautics Administration; the Honorable E. L. Bartlett and the Honorable Ernest Gruening, Senators from Alaska; the Honorable Ralph J. Rivers, Representative from Alaska; the Honorable William A. Egan, Governor of Alaska; the Honorable Eugene Roguszka, Director of Aviation:

Your Memorialist, the Legislature of the State of Alaska in First Legislature, First Session assembled, respectfully submits that:

WHEREAS, the village of Barrow is the largest native community in Alaska with a population of 1,600 persons; and

WHEREAS, the population of Barrow is continuing to grow and the community has become an increasingly popular tourist attraction; and

WHEREAS, the village of Barrow is largely dependent on air transportation for year-round supplies, commodities and

groceries; and

WHEREAS, at the present time only one scheduled airline is permitted to land at the government field in Barrow, contributing to high freight rates and limited facilities for the transportation of tourists; and

WHEREAS, preliminary surveys have been made at Barrow which indicate that there is a suitable site for a DC-4 type airstrip near the community; and

WHEREAS, the people of Barrow have requested such an airstrip since 1953;

NOW THEREFORE, Your Memorialist urges that all necessary action be taken for either the construction of a public DC-4 airstrip at Barrow, or for the extension of the government airstrip landing privileges to other airlines and private carriers.

Passed by the House March 7, 1959.

Passed by the Senate March 11, 1959.

HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 15

To the Honorable E. L. Bartlett and the Honorable Ernest Gruening, Senators from Alaska; the Honorable Ralph J. Rivers, Representative from Alaska; the Honorable William A. Egan, Governor of Alaska; the Honorable Eugene Roguszka, Director of Aviation:

Your Memorialist, the Legislature of the State of Alaska in First Legislature, First Session assembled, respectfully submits that:

WHEREAS, the village of Wainwright, Alaska is a growing community with a population of over 600 persons; and

WHEREAS, at the present time there is no airstrip in the village and the only place for landing is a narrow beach which

is barely able to accommodate a small bush plane; and

WHEREAS, the people of Wainwright depend on air transportation on a year round basis for the importation of food, mail and merchandise; and

WHEREAS, the present beach landing area is fifteen feet below an embankment and at high tide is partially covered with water, making landings impossible;

NOW THEREFORE, Your Memorialist urges that all necessary action be taken to study the area at Wainwright and to make plans for a bush type airstrip at that village.

Passed by the House March 7, 1959.

Passed by the Senate March 11, 1959.