

## HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 6

**Relating to the construction of a school at Soldotna.****Be it Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Alaska in the First Legislature, First Session Assembled:**

WHEREAS, there is at this time no public school situated in the community of Soldotna on the Kenai Peninsula; and

WHEREAS, pupils from Soldotna are now sent to the community of Kenai where a shortage of seven classrooms is forecast for September, 1959; and

WHEREAS, Soldotna is a rapidly growing population center, serving as a base of petroleum exploration activities, and showing many other varied signs of long-term economic growth; and

WHEREAS, there has recently been a one hundred per cent increase in home-  
stead filings in the Soldotna area; and

WHEREAS, the soon to be completed Libby road will open up 12,000 acres of the nearby Sliko Valley where many new

families with school age children are building homes; and

WHEREAS, two sites for possible school buildings have already been offered as donations in Soldotna; and

WHEREAS, the children of school age resident in the community of Soldotna at the beginning of the next school year will, at the very least, number 166;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Legislature of the State of Alaska in First Legislature, First Session assembled, that a suitable state public school be constructed in the community of Soldotna at the earliest practicable time; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be sent to the Honorable William A. Egan, Governor of Alaska; and the Honorable Don M. Dafeo, Commissioner of Education.

Passed by the House February 24, 1959.

Passed by the Senate February 28, 1959.

## HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 7

**Relating to inland water development.****Be it Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Alaska in the First Legislature, First Session Assembled:**

WHEREAS, the development of the inland waterways of the State of Alaska is essential to the defense of the nation and the economic growth of Alaska; and

WHEREAS, some 3,000 miles of the inland waterways of Alaska can be served by and through the seaport of Bethel; and

WHEREAS, the development of waterways in this area would provide a transportation system for shipment of heavy supplies to defense installations throughout much of Alaska; and

WHEREAS, said development would afford opportunities for experimentation with construction methods that could be applied to other engineering projects in sub-arctic regions; and

WHEREAS, the development of these

waterways would also reduce transportation costs sufficiently to encourage the productive utilization of basic metal deposits in a vast area of Alaska;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Legislature of the State of Alaska in First Legislature, First Session assembled that the Corps of Engineers of the United States Army be and hereby is urged to survey for and construct the following facilities: (1) a channel across Oscarville Bar, seven miles below Bethel, Alaska on the Kuskokwim River; (2) protection from erosion of the river banks at Bethel; (3) a canal connecting the Kuskokwim and Yukon Rivers between Kalskag on the Kuskokwim and Russian Mission on the Yukon; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be sent to the Honorable Dwight D. Eisenhower, President of the United States; the Honorable Neil H. McElroy, Secretary of Defense; the Honorable Wilber H. Brucker, Secretary