

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

of the Army; the Honorable Major General Emerson C. Itschner, Chief of Engineers, United States Army; the Honorable E. L. Bartlett and the Honorable Ernest Gruening, Senators from Alaska;

and the Honorable Ralph J. Rivers, Representative from Alaska.

Passed by the House February 26, 1959.
Passed by the Senate March 4, 1959.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 8

Be it Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Alaska in the First Legislature, First Session Assembled:

The Governor of Alaska is hereby requested to proclaim the Matanuska Valley Agricultural and Industrial Fair as the official Alaska State Fair for the year 1959 and to authorize and encourage departments of the Executive Branch of the State government to participate therein. Other fairs in Alaska shall not

be denied funds on account of not being designated as "Official Alaska State Fair".

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of said proclamation be forwarded to the Board of Directors of the Matanuska Valley State Fair Association at Palmer, Alaska.

Passed by the House March 9, 1959.
Passed by the Senate March 13, 1959.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 9

Relating to the atomic energy project at Cape Thompson.

Be it Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Alaska in the First Legislature, First Session Assembled:

WHEREAS, the Atomic Energy Commission has shown continued interest in the nuclear excavation of Cape Thompson, Alaska; and

WHEREAS, this project is designed to demonstrate to the world the profitable and meaningful peaceful uses of atomic energy; and

WHEREAS, this interest in the Cape Thompson project has recently been effectively illustrated by the visit in Alaska of certain atomic scientists;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Legislature of the State of Alaska in the First Legislature, First Session assembled, that by means of this resolution, and on behalf of the people of the State of Alaska, the proposed Cape Thompson project of the Atomic

Energy Commission is hereby endorsed, and the wish expressed that the development of said project follow careful planning and study pointed toward and consistent with, the health and welfare of the State and its residents; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the appropriate state agency extend all needed aid and cooperation to the Atomic Energy Commission in this demonstration of the peaceful use of atomic energy; 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 John A. McCone, Chairman of the Atomic Energy Commission; the Honorable E. L. Bartlett and the Honorable Ernest Gruening, Senators from Alaska; the Honorable Ralph J. Rivers, Representative from Alaska; and the Honorable Dr. Elison Shute of the University of California Atomic Research Laboratory.

Passed by the House March 9, 1959.
Passed by the Senate March 12, 1959.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 14

Be it Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Alaska in the First Legislature, First Session Assembled:

WHEREAS, plans and surveys are now underway which are aimed at the eventual linking of southeastern Alaska