

Senate Joint Memorials

SENATE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 1

To the Honorable Dwight D. Eisenhower, President of the United States; the Honorable Fred A. Seaton, Secretary of the Interior; the Honorable John Foster Dulles, Secretary of State; the Honorable Lyndon Johnson, Senate Majority Leader; the Honorable Sam Rayburn, Speaker of the 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:

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

WHEREAS, the United States Fish and Wildlife Service has recommended that the Bristol Bay Fishery within the State of Alaska be closed because of the depletion of the Bristol Bay salmon runs caused by the intensive Japanese fishing efforts in that area, in spite of the vigorous and continuing objections on the part of Alaskans; and

WHEREAS, many American fishermen, and more particularly the residents of the Bristol Bay area, will thereby be deprived of their traditional means of livelihood, without hope of relief since

at present no other employment is available within the area nor is there a substitute use for the salmon processing plants; and

WHEREAS, the United States Department of State, by permitting the Japanese to continue fishing in this area without restriction or hindrance, suggests that the American abandonment of the Bristol Bay Fishery in favor of the Japanese is in the best interests of the United States; and

WHEREAS, the United States has traditionally recompensed farmers and other producers who refrain from production in the national interest;

NOW THEREFORE, your Memorialist, the Legislature of the State of Alaska, respectfully urges that the Congress of the United States enact legislation as will adequately and annually recompense those persons presently engaged in the Bristol Bay Fishery who restrict their normal fish production in the national interest.

And your Memorialist will ever pray.

Passed by the Senate January 28, 1959.
Passed by the House February 2, 1959.

SENATE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 2

To the Honorable Neil H. McElroy, Secretary of the United States Department of Defense; the Honorable Wilber M. Brucker, Secretary of the Army; Major General Edgar C. Erickson, Chief, National Guard Bureau; and the Honorable E. L. Bartlett, the Honorable Ernest Gruening, the Honorable Ralph J. Rivers, the Congressional Delegation from Alaska:

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

WHEREAS, the National Guard Armory located at Barrow, Alaska, has re-

cently been destroyed by fire thereby depriving the people of the Point Barrow area of a focal point for their military and civil defense duties; and

WHEREAS, the authorities concerned are attempting to replace the old Armory with a smaller, temporary structure; and

WHEREAS, a comparatively large armory is needed for the Point Barrow community primarily because of the necessity of having available sufficient space for the use and need of the Alaska Scouts, that organization of incalculable value to the defense of the Far North, maintaining, as it does, the thin line of