

WHEREAS, the dangers to the American fisheries resource from such indiscriminate exploitation and wasteful high seas fishing are well known and completely established; and

WHEREAS, the residents of the State of Alaska are particularly acquainted with the very evident and calculable results of the taking of immature North American salmon by nets on the high seas, having watched their own once-prosperous fishing industry suffer great-

ly as a direct result of such fishing;

NOW THEREFORE, Your Memorialist, on behalf of all the people of Alaska, completely endorses all the provisions of Senate Bill 502, urges its early passage and respectfully suggests that Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee hearings on the bill be held at appropriate locations in Alaska as well as in Washington, D. C. and Seattle, Washington.

Passed by the Senate March 6, 1959.  
Passed by the House March 11, 1959.

### SENATE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 10

**To the Honorable Lyndon Johnson, Senate Majority Leader; to the Honorable Warren G. Magnuson, Chairman of the Senate Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce and the Senate Subcommittee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries; and to the Honorable E. L. Bartlett and the Honorable Ernest Gruening, Senators from Alaska:**

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

WHEREAS, salmon fishing is a main support of the economy of the citizens of the State of Alaska; and

WHEREAS, Japanese nationals are seriously threatening the depletion and destruction of salmon runs in Alaska and more particularly in the Bristol Bay Area by high seas fishing; and

WHEREAS, the residents of the Bristol Bay Area, will 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 Bristol Bay Fishery of Alaska has been closed to commercial fishing for the year 1959; and

WHEREAS, Alaskans are the most vitally interested American citizens in this matter and hearings have been held in places where distances make attendance by Alaskans difficult;

NOW THEREFORE, Your Memorialist does respectfully request that the United States Senate Subcommittee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries meet with representatives of the Legislature of the State of Alaska and hold public hearings in Juneau, Alaska, to determine or ascertain the effect of high seas fishing upon the salmon runs of Alaskan origin and other related matters, with a view toward developing Federal Legislation or other action as may be appropriate to safeguard the rights and interests of American fishermen.

Passed by the Senate March 7, 1959.  
Passed by the House March 13, 1959.

### SENATE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 11

**To the Honorable Lewis L. Strauss, Secretary of Commerce; the Honorable William A. Egan, Governor of Alaska; the Honorable E. L. Bartlett and the Honorable Ernest Gruening, Senators from Alaska; the Honorable Ralph J. Rivers, Representative from Alaska; the Honorable Ellis L. Armstrong, Commissioner of the Bureau of Public**

**Roads; the Honorable Edgar H. Swick, Regional Engineer, Region Ten, Bureau of Public Roads; the Honorable Frank A. Metcalf, State Commissioner of Highways and Public Works:**

Your Memorialist, the Legislature of the State of Alaska in First Legislature, First Session assembled, respectfully sub-

mits that:

WHEREAS, Senator Ernest Gruening has indicated that plans are underway to submit a bill to Congress that would call for the construction of a road between Anchorage and Nome; and

WHEREAS, said proposed road will be routed through the community of McGrath; and

WHEREAS, such a road would be to the benefit of all Alaska and would make a vital contribution to national defense by connecting various White Alice stations by ground transportation; and

WHEREAS, this road would reduce freight costs both to residents and to important defense installations along the route;

NOW THEREFORE, Your Memorialist urges the introduction and passage of any federal legislation necessary to the construction of a road between Anchorage and Nome by way of McGrath; and further urges that all agencies responsible for such construction proceed at the earliest possible date to plan and build said road.

Passed by the Senate March 10, 1959.

Passed by the House March 19, 1959.

#### SENATE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 15

**To the Honorable Lewis L. Strauss, Secretary of Commerce; the Honorable Ellis L. Armstrong, Commissioner, Bureau of Public Roads; the Honorable E. L. Bartlett and Ernest Gruening, U. S. Senators from Alaska; and the Honorable Ralph J. Rivers, U. S. Representative in Congress from Alaska:**

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

WHEREAS, there are over one thousand residents in the college area near Fairbanks; and

WHEREAS, the International Airport is situated approximately two miles from said college area; and

WHEREAS, by reason of the fact that there are no bridges across the Chena River except in the City of Fairbanks, the College area is cut off from the airport; and

WHEREAS, the construction of a bridge across the Chena River at the end of University Avenue in the College area will bring the International Airport in close proximity to the University of Alaska, thereby reducing the distance from the College area to said airport from 15 to 2 miles; and

WHEREAS, persons traveling from the College area to the airport are required to drive through the heavy traffic of Fairbanks; and

WHEREAS, the Nenana Highway which is under construction and the construction of said bridge would facilitate travel from Nenana into Fairbanks and to the airport;

NOW THEREFORE, Your Memorialist urges the construction of a bridge across the Chena River at the end of the University Avenue in the College area near Fairbanks, Alaska.

Passed by the Senate March 23, 1959.

Passed by the House April 9, 1959.

#### SENATE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 16

**To James Hawkins, Director of the Alaska Native Service and Frank Metcalf, Director of the Alaska Department of Public Works:**

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

submits that:

WHEREAS, the swing bridge over the Karluk River which connects the two portions of the village of Karluk and which constitutes a vital means of transportation and communication between them has fallen down; and