

## SENATE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 26

**To the Honorable Dwight D. Eisenhower, President of the United States; the Honorable Richard M. Nixon, President of the Senate; the Honorable Sam Rayburn, Speaker of the House of Representatives; the Honorable Fred A. Seaton, Secretary of the Interior; the Honorable Chairmen and members of the Senate and House Committees on Ways and Means, Finance and Interior and Insular Affairs; and the Alaska Delegation in Congress:**

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

WHEREAS, the program for the construction of essential capital improvements through the Alaska Public Works of the Department of the Interior has been both successful and meritorious in the years since its inception; and

WHEREAS, this vital program and its supporting appropriation are due to expire on June 30, 1959; and

WHEREAS, the impending demise of the program finds numerous needed and important projects already approved but scheduled to be shelved because of the expiration of the Alaska Public Works program; and

WHEREAS, the tremendous impact of federal defense and other activities is still being felt by Alaskan communities in their need for expanded school, water, sewerage and other facilities far above what the state and local governments can or should be expected to meet;

NOW THEREFORE, Your Memorialist urges that the President and the Congress take the necessary action before June 30, 1959 to extend the life of the Alaska Public Works program for three years and request authorization of \$30,000,000 and appropriation of \$10,000,000 for the fiscal year of 1960 to accomplish the projects which have been approved or upon which approval is now pending by the Department of the Interior.

Passed by the Senate April 10, 1959.

Passed by the House April 13, 1959.