

the Department of the Interior, either through the initiation of legislation or by other means, to make possible, through private or public efforts, the distribution of the abundant and available

Arctic natural gas to the people of Barrow.

Passed by the Senate February 24, 1959.

Passed by the House February 27, 1959.

SENATE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 8

To the Honorable Dwight D. Eisenhower, President of the United States; the Honorable Richard Nixon, President of the Senate; the Honorable Sam Rayburn, Speaker of the House of Representatives; the Honorable E. L. Bartlett and the Honorable Ernest Gruening, Senators from Alaska; the Honorable Ralph J. Rivers, Representative from Alaska:

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

WHEREAS, the State of Alaska under the provisions of Public Law 85-508, is granted 103,550,000 acres of land for selection; and

WHEREAS, one-third of Alaska's land area is already appropriated in such manner as to be unavailable for selection; and

WHEREAS, an equal amount of land constitutes mountainous and glacial areas unsuitable for selection; and

WHEREAS, committee reports on the statehood bill for Alaska very clearly emphasized that Alaska must have maxi-

mum management of its natural resources for economic reasons; and

WHEREAS, Section 6 (h) of Public Law 85-508 establishes an arbitrary date of July 7, 1958 which limits State selection for oil and gas lands to those actually under lease prior to said date; and

WHEREAS, the State of Alaska has not yet received rules and regulations from the Secretary of the Interior controlling land grant selections; and

WHEREAS, the Interior Department is presently issuing oil and gas leases covering two million acres per month, which action precludes State selection of those areas;

NOW THEREFORE, Your Memorialist, the Legislature of the State of Alaska urges that action be taken to have the restricting phrase ". . . unless such lease, permit, license, or contract is in effect on the date of approval of this Act, and . . ." stricken from the first sentence of Section 6 (h) of Public Law 85-508.

Passed by the Senate February 28, 1959.

Passed by the House March 6, 1959.

SENATE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 9

To the Honorable John Foster Dulles, Secretary of State; the Honorable Lewis L. Strauss, Secretary of Commerce; the Honorable Fred A. Seaton, Secretary of the Interior; the Honorable Oren Harris, Chairman, House Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce; the Honorable Warren G. Magnuson, Chairman, Senate Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce; 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 Legislature, First Session assembled respectfully submits that:

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 502 of the 86th Congress as introduced by Senators Bartlett, Gruening and Magnuson emphatically and effectively calls for federal action to curb high seas fishing for immature salmon by the nationals of other countries; and

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-