

Senate Joint Resolutions

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 1

Relating to expressing on behalf of the People of Alaska their sincere wish that the Honorable Victor C. Rivers, last President of the Senate of the Territory of Alaska speedily recover from his illness;

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

WHEREAS, the Honorable Victor C. Rivers is presently suffering from a painful illness, far from home and friends and far from the scene of Alaskan government, where he served so many years in the public interest; and

WHEREAS, Senator Rivers was the last President of the Senate of the Territory of Alaska and one of the most active and energetic participants in the struggle to achieve statehood, serving on the Statehood Committee and in the Constitutional Convention, lending his time and devotion to the cause; and

WHEREAS, Victor Rivers was for many years a member of the Legislature of the Territory, joining the Senate in 1937, and serving in that body for three terms, culminating in 1957; and

WHEREAS, Senator Rivers is a member of one of the most respected and

well-known pioneer families in the State, as well as a successful and honored member of the engineering profession, both of which have lent to his prominence;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Legislature of the State of Alaska does hereby express on behalf of the People of Alaska the heartfelt hope that the Honorable Victor C. Rivers, President of the Senate of the last Legislature of the Territory, will speedily recover from his illness and return to his family and friends; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution do also serve as an expression of gratitude of the People of Alaska to Victor Rivers for his many years of public service and wholehearted devotion to the best interests of his people, his State, and his Nation; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House certify to and the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House attest the adoption hereof, and that the same be thereafter suitably engrossed and transmitted to the Honorable Victor C. Rivers, President of the Senate of the Territory of Alaska.

Passed by the Senate January 26, 1959.

Passed by the House February 5, 1959.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 2

Relating to the need for hospital medical care for all Alaskans and the need for continuance of local community hospitals.

Be it Resolved by the First Alaskan Legislature in the First Session Assembled:

WHEREAS, Alaska and the other forty-eight states suffered a shortage of hospital facilities in smaller communities for many years; and

WHEREAS, the government of the

United States joined the governments of the states and territories in encouraging local communities to build hospital facilities by offering financial inducements for construction of hospitals which complied with certain requirements; and

WHEREAS, among other requirements, these hospital facilities were to be available to all the people in their respective communities, including the native Indian, Eskimo and Aleut peoples of Alaska; and

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