

House Resolutions

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 24

Relating to the construction of DC4 type landing facility on the Lower Yukon.

Be it resolved by the House in First Legislature of the State of Alaska in Second Session assembled:

WHEREAS, the area known as the Lower Yukon is served only by small air carriers on limited schedules, which leads to high freight rates, prohibitive personal transportation costs for those interested in seasonal employment elsewhere, poor mail service, frequent interruption of service due to weather conditions, and difficulties in getting emergency patients immediately to the hospital at Bethel; and

WHEREAS, the population of this area is growing rapidly, now approximating about 5,000 persons and the growth of the economy and productive utilization of this population group is slowed by such air service; and

WHEREAS, a DC4 type landing facility in the area would eliminate such problems growing out of poor air service and would be of benefit to the entire area; and

WHEREAS, the villages of Marshall-Fortuna Ledge, St. Mary's, Mountain Village, Alakanuk and Kwiguk or Emmonak have lain aside any selfish desire to individually acquire such facilities and have joined in agreement that the best site would be half-way between St. Mary's and Mountain Village;

BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives in First Legislature, Second Session assembled that the Commissioner of Public Works be directed to take all appropriate steps to construct a DC4 type landing facility between the villages of St. Mary's and Mountain Village on the Lower Yukon at the earliest opportunity.

Passed by the House February 5, 1960.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 25

Relating to Gill Net Fishing.

Be it Resolved by the House of Representatives in First Legislature, Second Session assembled:

WHEREAS, the taking of salmon by gill net is a profitable method; and

WHEREAS, in Southeastern Alaska this method is confined almost exclusively to certain rivers or mouths of these certain rivers; and

WHEREAS, this concentration of gill net gear in such relatively confined areas

on the main salmon spawning highways is not conducive to profitable fishing nor advantageous propagation of the salmon;

BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives in First Legislature, Second Session assembled, that the Commissioner of Fish and Game and the Fish and Game Board be requested to allow a certain number of gill net fishermen, on an experimental basis and as selected by a drawing, to fish for salmon during the regular season, in areas other than the presently established limited confines.

Passed by the House February 12, 1960.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 26

Relating to the construction of two access roads in the Seward area.

Be it Resolved by the House in First Legislature, Second Session assembled:

WHEREAS, Seward is experiencing a period of industrial and commercial expansion unequalled in the past ten years; and

WHEREAS, further expansion is expected on land available within but a half mile of the present port facilities, but this land is not accessible by road; and

WHEREAS, this land is ideal for industrial, commercial, or residential development but for its lack of accessibility by road, having good approaches both by water and land; and

WHEREAS, but two roads of not more than one-half mile each in length are all that is necessary to open up this land for expansion;

BE IT RESOLVED by the House in First Legislature, Second Session assembled that the Department of Public Works conduct the necessary surveys and cost investigations for the construction of the two access roads to Fourth of July Creek and Lowell Creek deltas with the utmost dispatch.

Passed by the House March 29, 1960.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 27

Be it Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Alaska in First Legislature, Second Session assembled:

WHEREAS, Almighty God, in his wisdom and mercy, has called to himself our friend John T. McLaughlin; and

WHEREAS, John T. McLaughlin was born in Juneau, attended school here, married and reared a family here; and

WHEREAS, John T. McLaughlin rendered creditable service in various positions in the Territorial and State government; and

WHEREAS, John T. McLaughlin lent his active support to many community and statewide projects and leaves a host

of friends throughout the State; and

WHEREAS, John T. McLaughlin served as Chief Clerk of this House in 1955 and many members of this session remember this pleasant association with him;

BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives, in regular session assembled, takes this means of expressing to his wife and family, and to his sisters and brothers, our deep sorrow, and sincere sympathy in their loss; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be sent to his wife and children, and that copies be forwarded to his sisters and brothers.

Passed by the House February 23, 1960.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 28

Relating to the extension of a road from Kodiak around Island Lake.

Be it Resolved by the House in First Legislature, Second Session assembled:

WHEREAS, a road now leads from Kodiak to one side of Island Lake; and

WHEREAS, twelve families, with children, now live on the opposite side of Island Lake, and the land there is suitable for settlement by many more families; and

WHEREAS, during the school year it is necessary for the children living on the opposite side of Island Lake to be rowed across the lake twice each day in order for them to attend school, exposing them

to danger of death from drowning; and

WHEREAS, the extension of the present road around Island Lake would both obviate the danger to the school children, and also open up the opposite side of the lake to greater development;

BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives in First Legislature, Second Session assembled, that the Department of Public Works initiate planning and programming for the extension of the present road to Island Lake; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of the resolution be directed to the Governor and to the Commissioner of Public Works.

Passed by the House March 4, 1960.