

Atomic Energy Commission; the Honorable E. L. Bartlett and the Honorable Ernest Gruening, Senators from Alaska; the Honorable Ralph J. Rivers, Representative from Alaska; the Honorable William A. Egan, Governor of Alaska

and Commissioner Phil R. Holdsworth, State Coordinator of Atomic Development Activities.

Passed by the Senate February 4, 1960.
Passed by the House February 15, 1960.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 14

Relating to the late Victor C. Rivers.

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

WHEREAS, during the interval between legislative sessions death has taken from the service of the state a distinguished public servant, the Honorable Victor C. Rivers; and

WHEREAS, Senator Rivers served as the President of the Senate during the last session of the Territorial Legislature; and

WHEREAS, he had earned the respect of all Alaskans for his service in the public interest as an able legislator, delegate to the Constitutional Convention, and energetic member of the Alaska Statehood Committee in the long and successful fight for sound government and statehood; and

WHEREAS, his integrity and record of accomplishment will always be a goal for those who aspire to the finest traditions of unselfish public service; and

WHEREAS, his devoted service to Alaska both as a Territory and a State has left and will continue to leave its mark on the progress and accomplishments of Alaska;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Legislature of the State of Alaska in First Legislature, Second Session assembled, that this resolution serve as a token of the esteem and high regard of the members of the Legislature for the late Senator Victor C. Rivers, and be transmitted to Mrs. Victor C. Rivers as an expression of their sincerest condolences and best wishes.

Passed by the Senate February 3, 1960.
Passed by the House February 5, 1960.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 16

Relating to the construction of International Highway No. 97 from Fairbanks to Nome.

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

WHEREAS, it is manifest that the extension and development of transportation lines and facilities are essential to the national interest in the development and defense of Alaska; and

WHEREAS, both federal and state authorities have long been aware of the need and desirability of extending International Highway No. 97 from Fairbanks to Nome as part of this development and defense plan; and

WHEREAS, the extension of the Fairbanks-Nome highway would benefit both

the nation and the state by making possible the economic development of the oil and tin deposits in the Kateel and Lost River areas and other known mineral resources of the region; and

WHEREAS, the extension of the highway to Nome will end the surface isolation of the vital air defense and communication defense installations at Galena and the numerous White Alice sites along or adjoining the proposed Fairbanks-Nome route;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Legislature of the State of Alaska in First Legislature, Second Session assembled, that the appropriate agencies of the federal government be urged to plan and construct the extension of International Highway No. 97 from Fairbanks to Nome with all deliberate speed; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be directed to the Honorable Thomas S. Gates, Jr., Secretary of Defense; the Honorable Frederick H. Mueller, Secretary of Commerce; the Honorable Bertram D. Tallamy, Federal Highway Administrator, Bureau of Public Roads; the Honorable William J. Niemi, Regional Engineer, Bureau of Public Roads; the Honorable Members of the

Alaska International Rail and Highway Commission; the Honorable E. L. Bartlett and the Honorable Ernest Gruening, Senators from Alaska; and the Honorable Ralph J. Rivers, Representative from Alaska.

Passed by the Senate March 15, 1960.

Passed by the House March 24, 1960.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 17

Relating to the death of the Honorable Richard L. Neuberger.

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

WHEREAS, the Legislature has received the sad news of the untimely death of the Honorable Richard L. Neuberger, United States Senator from Oregon; and

WHEREAS, Senator Neuberger was just completing his first term in the United States Senate and had recently filed for re-election; and

WHEREAS, Senator Neuberger had a distinguished record of achievement and service to his state and the Nation as a journalist, state legislator, and United States Senator; and

WHEREAS, Senator Neuberger has for many years been a staunch and active

supporter of Alaska's cause, particularly in the long and successful struggle for statehood; and

WHEREAS, the death of Senator Neuberger is a great loss to Alaska, his home state of Oregon and to the Nation;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Legislature of the State of Alaska in First Legislature, Second Session assembled, that this Legislature on behalf of the people of the State of Alaska, hereby expresses the high esteem and regard which they have held for the Honorable Richard L. Neuberger and extends their sympathy and condolences to Mrs. Richard L. Neuberger; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent to Mrs. Richard L. Neuberger.

Passed by the Senate March 10, 1960.

Passed by the House March 14, 1960.