

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 6

Relating to medical care for owner-operators of fishing vessels.

Be It Resolved by the House in Second Legislature, First Session Assembled:

WHEREAS, there has been a long-standing need for federal legislation providing medical care for owner-operators of fishing vessels who are engaged on board in the care, preservation or navigation of such vessels; and

WHEREAS, Senator Warren G. Magnuson of the State of Washington and Senator E. L. Barlett of Alaska along with Representative Ralph J. Rivers of Alaska, have introduced identical bills on this subject in both houses of Congress;

BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives in the Second Legislature, First Session assembled, that Senators Warren G. Magnuson and E. L. Bartlett and Representative Ralph J. Rivers are complimented on their introduction of this vital legislation and assured of the support of the people of Alaska in their effort to have the legislation approved by the 87th Congress; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be sent to the sponsors of the medical care legislation and the chairmen of the Committees on Foreign and Interstate Commerce of the House and Senate of the Congress of the United States.

Passed by the House February 20, 1961.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 7

Relating to the proposed Turnagain Arm causeway.

Be It Resolved by the House in Second Legislature, First Session Assembled:

WHEREAS, the extension of transportation and communication systems is vital for the sound development of Alaska and its resources; and

WHEREAS, the construction of the Turnagain Arm causeway should provide the citizens of the Palmer, Seward, Anchorage, and Kenai Peninsula areas with better means of transportation and communication; and

WHEREAS, a more direct link with the Palmer, Seward, Anchorage, and Kenai Peninsula areas will aid in the development of railroad and highway transporta-

tion, oil and gas pipe lines and power transmission lines; and

WHEREAS, the natural and scenic wonders of the Kenai Peninsula can be made more accessible to the tourist; and

WHEREAS, the construction of the causeway may also insure the better defense of the Palmer, Seward, Anchorage, and Kenai areas in the event of conflict;

BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives in Second Legislature, First Session assembled, that the Governor be respectfully urged to have the Commissioner of Public Works make reconnaissance, engineering and economic feasibility surveys relative to the construction of the Turnagain Arm causeway.

Passed by the House February 25, 1961.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 8

Relating to the construction and maintenance of a recreation area in the vicinity of Salmon Lake, Nome, Alaska.

Be It Resolved by the House in Second Legislature, First Session Assembled:

WHEREAS, the State of Alaska constructs and maintains recreation areas for the benefit of residents and tourists; and

WHEREAS, the continued development

of Alaska's abundant scenic areas is of paramount importance for the expansion of the tourist and recreation industries; and

WHEREAS, a recreation area in the vicinity of Salmon Lake near Nome, Alaska, would materially and aesthetically benefit both the residents of Alaska and the visitors to Alaska;

BE IT RESOLVED by the House of

Representatives in Second Legislature, First Session assembled, that the Governor is respectfully urged to direct the Commissioner of the Department of Nat-

ural Resources to take appropriate action to construct and maintain a recreation area in the vicinity of Salmon Lake.

Passed by the House March 27, 1961.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 10

Relating to the need for post offices in New Stuyahok, Koliganek, Atka, Golovin and Port Heiden.

Be It Resolved by the House in Second Legislature, First Session Assembled:

WHEREAS, communication facilities are essential for the development of Alaska and the normal comforts of its population; and

WHEREAS, the communities of New Stuyahok, Koliganek, Atka, Golovin, and Port Heiden in Southwest Alaska do not have a local post office; and

WHEREAS, the lack of postal facilities in these communities forces some five hundred people to depend on post offices in distant communities for their mail; and

WHEREAS, the residents in these communities have desired a post office for a number of years; and

WHEREAS, these communities are growing steadily and will continue to grow in the future;

BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives in Second Legislature, First Session assembled, that the U. S. Post Office Department be respectfully urged to establish a post office in the communities of New Stuyahok, Koliganek, Atka, Golovin and Port Heiden; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be sent to the Postmaster General of the United States and the Alaska delegation in Congress.

Passed by the House February 25, 1961.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 11

Relating to the construction of a road between Bethel and McGrath.

Be It Resolved by the House in Second Legislature, First Session Assembled:

WHEREAS, if Alaska is to develop and assume its rightful place in the union of states, its highway system must be enlarged; and

WHEREAS, a road between Bethel and McGrath would open new land for mining and tourism, as the area is rich in resources, including game and sports fishing, and has many other tourist attractions; and

WHEREAS, a road between Bethel and McGrath would reduce freight costs, provide a military supply line in the event of a national emergency, and greatly improve the transportation system in this important area of Alaska; and

WHEREAS, a road between Bethel and McGrath would provide the population in

this area with a convenient and inexpensive route to take advantage of the medical, educational, and other facilities offered by these cities, and generally insure the stability of this area, the continuation of its development, and the well-being of its population;

BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives in Second Legislature, First Session assembled, that the Governor of the State of Alaska is requested to urge the Commissioner of the Department of Public Works to construct a road between Bethel and McGrath, and that this construction begin simultaneously from both of these cities; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Honorable William A. Egan, Governor of Alaska, and the Honorable Richard A. Downing, Commissioner of the Department of Public Works.

Passed by the House February 25, 1961.