

of the State of Alaska in Second Legislature, First Session assembled, that the gratitude of the State of Alaska is extended to Gordon Taylor, together with the fervent hope that his present efforts will continue, to the mutual benefit of the citizens of the United States and Canada; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be mailed to the Honorable Gordon Taylor, Highways Minister of Alberta.

Passed by the Senate March 7, 1961.

Passed by the House March 21, 1961.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 21

Relating to the construction of a barge canal between Kalskag and Paimut.

Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Alaska in Second Legislature, First Session Assembled:

WHEREAS, water-borne transportation systems have materially benefited the citizens of Alaska in the past and continue to be of utmost importance to vast areas of the state today; and

WHEREAS, in the early years of this century a proposal was advanced relative to a barge canal connecting the Yukon River at Paimut with the Kuskokwim River at Kalskag; and

WHEREAS, at that time the construction of the barge canal would have aided only the mining industry; and

WHEREAS, today a barge canal offers untold possibilities for the general development of Interior Alaska through a cheap inland water route affording easy access to the sea;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Legislature of the State of Alaska in Second Legislature, First Session assembled, that the Corps of Engineers of the U. S. Army is respectfully requested to survey the canal route; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be sent to the Honorable Elvis J. Stahr, Secretary of the Army; the Honorable Emerson C. Itschner, Chief of Engineers, U. S. Army; and the Alaska delegation in Congress.

Passed by the Senate March 9, 1961.

Passed by the House March 31, 1961.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 22

Relating to federal aid in developing Alaska fisheries.

Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Alaska in Second Legislature, First Session Assembled:

WHEREAS, beds of bottom fish have recently been found close to the Alaska coast, creating vast new potentialities for the fishing industry in Alaska; and

WHEREAS, the existing pressure from foreign fishing industries makes it imperative that Alaska take quick action to utilize this new source of fish; and

WHEREAS, the present market for Alaska fish products, other than salmon, is limited to a small portion of the total possible market, due to a minimum of outlets for the wholesale purchase of products; and

WHEREAS, limited market outlets make

it impossible to utilize the newly discovered fishing grounds; and

WHEREAS, the federal government has continually promised to aid the State of Alaska in developing its fisheries resources;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Legislature of the State of Alaska in Second Legislature, First Session assembled, that the federal government is urged to undertake a study as to means by which the Alaska fishing industry may utilize existing markets to a greater extent, and find new markets, such that the great fish resources of the state shall not be wasted; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be sent to the Honorable Luther H. Hodge, Secretary of Commerce; the Honorable Stewart L. Udall, Secretary of the Interior; and the Alaska delegation to Congress.

Passed by the Senate March 9, 1961.

Passed by the House March 31, 1961.