

WHEREAS, the road building effort of the state has been concentrated on primary roads for which federal matching funds are available; and

WHEREAS, while incidental attention is being given to marine highways and pioneer access roads, the construction and maintenance of vital Class B secondary roads has been neglected; and

WHEREAS, Class B secondary roads have been built mostly by intrepid homesteaders opening up and developing new areas and resources adjacent to the primary highway system; and

WHEREAS, it is realized that, while public monies are scarce, the secondary road system and its importance to the development the state should not be overlooked; and

WHEREAS, the lack or deterioration of these vital secondary roads is having an

adverse socio-economic effect on many areas of Alaska; over-burdened mothers must carry children on their backs to the nearest paved highways; jeeps, cars and trucks are bogged down in the spring mud; the divorce rate goes higher when wives are mud-spattered for a whole season; and some children cannot get to school and others must trudge five miles or more to find transportation to school;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate in Second Legislature, First Session assembled, that the Department of Public Works is requested to give earnest consideration to making some provision for a program of Class B secondary road construction and maintenance to include Class B secondary roads in its planning and programming for 1961 and subsequent years, particularly in the Gold Stream Valley area near Fairbanks, and the Willow, Wasilla and Rabbit Creek areas.

Passed by the Senate March 11, 1961.

### SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 13

**Relating to the construction of an area high school at Tanana.**

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

WHEREAS, the purpose of education to aid in solving economic problems of the villages of interior Alaska is failing due to a complete lack of schools above the elementary level; and

WHEREAS, Tanana is an ideal location for an area high school due to its air service facilities, its hospital, its situation on the Yukon River, and the fact that no liquor is sold in the village; and

WHEREAS, an area high school at Tanana would attract students from many villages of the interior that are now denied an education; and

WHEREAS, there is good reason to believe that the Bureau of Indian Affairs

will construct a dormitory to house students if a high school is built;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate in Second Legislature, First Session assembled that the Commissioner of Education determine the type and cost of construction of a high school at Tanana; that he contact the Bureau of Indian Affairs with reference to constructing a dormitory in connection with such proposed high school and, if the dormitory construction report is favorable, that the commissioner include in his 1962-1963 budget a sufficient sum to cover the state's share of constructing the proposed high school at Tanana, Alaska; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be delivered to the Honorable William A. Egan, Governor of Alaska; and to the Honorable Theo J. Norby, Commissioner of Education.

Passed by the Senate March 9, 1961.

### SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 14

**Relating to proposed Federal Aid to Education.**

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