

prove Wrangell Narrows to accommodate larger vessels; and

WHEREAS, if Dry Straits were dredged, it would offer a through and complete inside passage from Prince Rupert to Skagway; and

WHEREAS, Dry Straits, if dredged, would be free of adverse tidal conditions and navigational hazards;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate in Second Legislature, First Session assem-

bled that the Corps of Engineers be requested to investigate the feasibility of dredging the passage known as Dry Straits in Southeast Alaska waters in order to create an all-purpose channel to facilitate all modes of surface water transportation in this region, thus benefitting the economy of the State of Alaska. It is further requested that the Corps of Engineers be requested to hold public hearings in Petersburg and Wrangell.

Passed by the Senate March 23, 1961.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 26

Relating to assistance for the King Islanders in their removal to the mainland.

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

WHEREAS, the community of Eskimo citizens on King Island now spends a goodly portion of the year in close proximity to the City of Nome; and

WHEREAS, the permanent population of King Island has dwindled to a point where the Bureau of Indian Affairs has closed the school there; and

WHEREAS, the industrious King Islanders are generally desirous of becoming mainlanders but want to avoid the pitfalls of over-exposure to the sophisticated life of Nome; and

WHEREAS, in their search for a location in keeping with their spirit of industry and independence, the people of King Island have expressed an interest in a site northwest of Nome in the Cape Woolley region; and

WHEREAS, this commendable desire and effort towards relocation of the King Island villagers on the mainland requires and deserves some assistance;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate in Second Legislature, First Session assembled, that the Honorable Stewart L. Udall, Secretary of the Interior, is respectfully requested to encourage and facilitate the move of the King Islanders to the site they have selected and to provide them with the facilities to which they are entitled.

Passed by the Senate March 23, 1961.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 27

Relating to the allocation of funds for Route S-680.

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

WHEREAS, Highway 97, identified by the Department of Public Works in its report on proposed highways as Route S-680, is desired by the people of Alaska; and

WHEREAS, the people of Alaska last year endorsed Bond Proposal No. 2, which authorized money for new road construction; and

WHEREAS, the Second Legislature, First Session, has appropriated one million

dollars of the total bond authorization for expenditure on new road construction; and

WHEREAS, before construction can begin on Route S-680, money will be needed for right-of-way acquisition and surveys;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate in Second Legislature, First Session assembled, that the Division of Highways, Department of Public Works, is advised that it is the wish of the Legislature that one million dollars of the highway construction bond money be programmed for Route S-680 by placing one-half of the bond receipts in the highway revolving fund for right-of-way and survey costs and the