

Governor of the State of Alaska direct the Commissioner of Public Works to use his best efforts in urging the Federal Aviation Agency to extend the runway at the Cordova airfield to accommodate jet commercial airplanes; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Federal Aviation Agency is requested to assist Alaska in every possible way in making these improvements; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be sent to the Honorable Najeeb E. Halaby, Administrator, Federal Aviation Agency; the Honorable Allen D. Hulén, Regional Manager, Alaska Region, Federal Aviation Agency; and to the members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.

Passed by the House March 31, 1962.

Passed by the Senate April 10, 1962.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 80

Relating to military housing for married personnel stationed by the Coast Guard on Annette Island.

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

WHEREAS 70% of the Coast Guard Air-Sea Rescue personnel stationed on Annette Island are married and only 50% of this number have their spouses living with them on the Island; and

WHEREAS the Coast Guard Air-Sea Rescue detachment at Annette is the most important of its type in the State, both from the standpoint of number of personnel assigned to the unit and major aircraft based at the facility; and

WHEREAS there are no military quarters on Annette Island to house these married couples; and

WHEREAS civilian housing on Annette Island is grossly inadequate for the basic housing needs of these married couples, with the result that many are forced to live separate from each other, and those who can find housing large enough to accommodate a couple find it only in sub-standard quonset huts; and

WHEREAS this housing shortage is an

unnecessary burden to place on United States citizens stationed on American soil and results in a significant lowering of morale of all the Coast Guard personnel stationed on Annette Island; and

WHEREAS a solution to the problem has been avidly sought through many channels by many people for a very long time, but the necessary funds have never been appropriated;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Legislature of the State of Alaska in Second Legislature, Second Session assembled, that the Honorable E. L. Bartlett and the Honorable Ernest Gruening, Senators from Alaska, and the Honorable Ralph J. Rivers, Representative from Alaska, are respectfully requested to communicate the urgent need for a solution to the military housing problem on Annette Island to their respective Appropriations Committees in Congress and to the Bureau of the Budget, and to offer the Committees and the Bureau any assistance possible in finding a solution to the problem; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be sent to the members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.

Passed by the House March 17, 1962.

Passed by the Senate March 26, 1962.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 81

Relating to locating a fourth-class post office to serve the people living around Chignik Lake and Chignik Lagoon.

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

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

WHEREAS the 215 people living around Chignik Lake and Chignik Lagoon, includ-

ing a large number of children, depend on the mails for clothing and other necessities; and

WHEREAS the post office nearest to these people is at Chignik, about nine miles from the largest concentration of population around the Lake and Lagoon so that, to send and receive mail, they must travel by water the nine miles, at least three miles of which are over open water, at a considerable personal risk during the stormy winter months; and

WHEREAS there is a bush airfield located near Chignik Lagoon in the center of most of the population of that area which would make a servicable location for a post office;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Legislature of the State of Alaska in Second Legislature, Second Session assembled, that the Postmaster General is respectfully urged to establish a fourth-class post office to serve the people living around Chignik Lake and Chignik Lagoon, Alaska; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be mailed to the Honorable J. Edward Day, Postmaster General of the United States; and to the members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.

Passed by the House March 17, 1962.

Passed by the Senate March 28, 1962.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 83

Relating to the Native Environmental Health Program.

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

WHEREAS Public Law 86-121 designates the Surgeon General as legally responsible for certain aspects of Native environmental health; and

WHEREAS the Congress of the United States has appropriated funds to implement water and sanitation facilities projects which will benefit Natives residing in Alaska communities; and

WHEREAS this program is intended for the immediate relief of environmental health problems; and

WHEREAS several hundred Alaska communities are eligible to participate in this program; and

WHEREAS approximately one hundred of those eligible communities have made application for community facilities in Alaska; and

WHEREAS it has come to our attention that in one period 60 villages applied for aid under this program, administrators of this program prepared project proposals for only eight of them, approved construction for only six of them, and began construction on only one of the original 60, it being abandoned before completion; and

WHEREAS it is incredible that so little

has been accomplished with this program since it began in 1959; and

WHEREAS the Congress has set aside substantial funds for these projects for Alaska Natives; and

WHEREAS there is critical need for these projects to alleviate threats to public health in Alaska communities; and

WHEREAS it is extremely important that immediate action to implement the intent of Congress be taken; and

WHEREAS at the present rate of progress, this program could not reach the vast majority of eligible Alaska communities within 100 years, at which time the needs will not exist; and

WHEREAS, in terms of public health and in terms of the intent of the Act, it is imperative that this program be accelerated and completed at the earliest possible moment; and

WHEREAS all money for necessary materials and personnel are available to accomplish the objectives of the program;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Legislature of the State of Alaska in Second Legislature, Second Session assembled, that the Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare and the Surgeon General of the United States Health Service are urged to review the Native Environmental Health Program in Alaska, and to order its immediate implementation because of the emergency that now exists; and be it