

Fish and Wildlife, Department of the Interior; and to the members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.

Passed by the Senate February 12, 1963.
Passed by the House February 22, 1963.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 6

Relating to the production of fish flour.

Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Alaska:

WHEREAS a National Academy of Sciences panel has recently reported that a wholesome, safe, and nutritious product for human consumption, often referred to as fish flour, can be made from whole fish; and

WHEREAS fish flour is a rich source of protein which could be a valuable supplement to the diet of many people here and abroad, and a cheap and practical method for the manufacture of fish flour has been developed; and

WHEREAS foreign fishing interests are currently exploiting fish resources in the waters off the coast of Alaska which could

be used for the production of fish flour in the United States;

BE IT RESOLVED that the United States is urged to proceed as expeditiously as possible with the research necessary to establish conclusively that fish flour is a valuable protein source for humans; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be sent to the Honorable John F. Kennedy, President of the United States; the Honorable Luther Hodges, Secretary of Commerce; the Honorable Stewart L. Udall, Secretary of the Interior; the Honorable Dean Rusk, Secretary of State; and the members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.

Passed by the Senate February 26, 1963.
Passed by the House March 2, 1963.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 9

Relating to the creation of a Department of Fisheries and Oceanography.

Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Alaska:

WHEREAS the fisheries of the United States occupy an ever increasing importance to the general well-being of the nation; and

WHEREAS the power of states to adequately protect and enhance the value of fisheries is clearly limited by the nature of our constitutional system; and

WHEREAS foreign nationals have created competitive pressures which may only be met on a national scale; and

WHEREAS the past lack of interest of federal authorities in fisheries problems has resulted in a drop of American fisheries production from second to fifth in the world market, and a complete lack of aid

and protection for American fishermen; and

WHEREAS fisheries provide a source of livelihood for hundreds of thousands of American citizens deserving of constant federal attention to the maintenance and improvement of the industry; and

WHEREAS a cabinet level Department of Fisheries and Oceanography containing a research and management section, an economic development section, and an international section is necessary to deal with the scope and magnitude of the problems involved; and

WHEREAS Governor William A. Egan has already requested the President of the United States to make every effort toward establishing such a cabinet position;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of the State of Alaska joins with Gover-

nor Egan in respectfully urging the President of the United States to establish a Department of Fisheries and Oceanography at an early date; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be sent to the Honorable John F. Kennedy, President of the United States; the Honorable Lyndon B. Johnson,

Vice President of the United States and President of the Senate; the Honorable John W. McCormack, Speaker of the House of Representatives; and the members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.

Passed by the Senate February 5, 1963.
Passed by the House February 18, 1963.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 10

Relating to the territorial waters of Alaska.

Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Alaska:

WHEREAS the fisheries abutting the Alaska coast are of enormous economic value and represent the sole source of livelihood for scores of American nationals; and

WHEREAS American nationals have fished for years under carefully planned and stringent conservation regulations imposed to insure maximum sustained yield from the resource; and

WHEREAS recent years have seen an increased amount of foreign fishing effort in the waters abutting the Alaska coast; and

WHEREAS alien fishermen fish entirely free of conservation restrictions imposed on American citizens; and

WHEREAS the United States Government, charged with the obligation of protecting American fisheries from foreign encroachment, has taken insufficient action to protect the resource either through assertion of a greater territorial belt of water than three miles or application of the so-called base line method already sanctioned for use by the International Court of Justice; and

WHEREAS Governor William A. Egan of the State of Alaska has attempted un-

ceasingly to impress upon the United States Government the gravity of intrusions by foreign nationals into waters historically considered American and the necessity of establishing a broad claim to waters adjoining the Alaska coast; and

WHEREAS the governor, faced with the complete lack of action on the part of the United States Government, has acted courageously in protecting the fisheries of Alaska through state action when circumstances required;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of the State of Alaska offers its commendation to Governor William A. Egan for his past action, and vigorously urges the United States Government to act quickly in establishing broad water areas adjoining the Alaska coast as subject solely to United States sovereignty; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be sent to the Honorable John F. Kennedy, President of the United States; the Honorable Lyndon B. Johnson, Vice President of the United States and President of the Senate; the Honorable Dean Rusk, Secretary of State; the Honorable Stewart L. Udall, Secretary of the Interior; the Honorable John W. McCormack, Speaker of the House; the Honorable William A. Egan, Governor of Alaska; and the members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.

Passed by the Senate March 1, 1963.
Passed by the House March 28, 1963.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 14

Relating to the need for a branch post office in the Muldoon Road — Nunaka Val-

ley — De Barr Vista community near Anchorage.