

area as wide and as deep as the 48 states, stretching 2,700 miles from east to west, and 1,400 miles from north to south, and extending into the Eastern Hemisphere and into the Arctic; and

WHEREAS air carriers supply virtually the only transportation for people and airmail between the 48 states and Alaska; and

WHEREAS, on intra-Alaska routes, the intent of the Civil Aeronautics Board seems to be to curtail service, leaving many communities with no transportation at all;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of the State of Alaska strongly objects to the curtailing of air service to Alaska and respectfully urges that the Honorable John F. Kennedy, President of the United States, appoint an Alaskan to the next

vacancy on the Board in order to facilitate a better understanding of Alaska's air needs; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be directed 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; the Honorable Warren G. Magnuson, Chairman, Senate Commerce Committee; the Honorable Oren Harris, Chairman, House Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee; and the members of the Alaska delegation in Congress; and the members of the Civil Aeronautics Board.

Passed by the Senate April 4, 1963.

#### SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 58

**Relating to medical care for persons employed or engaged on vessels.**

**Be It Resolved by the Senate:**

WHEREAS the right to medical care of operators of vessels and self-employed seamen under federal law has been denied by administrative ruling; and

WHEREAS the restoration of these federal medical care rights has been proposed by the U. S. Representative from Alaska, the Honorable Ralph J. Rivers, through the introduction of H.R. 2108; and

WHEREAS the restoration of this right is not only equitable but essential to the revival of the vital maritime industry;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Congress is urged to approve the restoration of medical care rights to owner-operators of vessels and self-employed seamen by the passage of H.R. 2108; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be sent to 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; the Honorable Warren G. Magnuson, Chairman of the Senate Commerce Committee; the Honorable Herbert Bonner, Chairman of the House Merchant Marine and Fisheries Committee; and the members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.

Passed by the Senate April 4, 1963.

#### SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 59

**Relating to the construction of a proper post office facility at Yakutat.**

**Be It Resolved by the Senate:**

WHEREAS the post office facility at Yakutat is intended to serve 1600 people; and

WHEREAS the existing post office facil-

ity is 12 by 16 feet in dimension, has a leaking roof, and is otherwise in a dilapidated condition; and

WHEREAS the people of Yakutat deserve and require a post office facility which can properly serve Yakutat and the surrounding area;

BE IT RESOLVED that the members of

the Alaska delegation in Congress are urged to make immediate and appropriate representation to the Postmaster General

to see that Yakutat is given the type of post office facility which it requires.

Passed by the Senate April 5, 1963.

### SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 60

#### **Relating to the completion of studies on the Rampart Dam Project.**

#### **Be It Resolved by the Senate:**

WHEREAS a sound and vigorous development of Alaska's resources is desirable, and indeed essential, not only from the standpoint of the people of Alaska but of the Nation whose great northernmost and westernmost outpost and under-developed dominion and potential is the State of Alaska; and

WHEREAS a diversification and enlargement of Alaska's economy is needed for the above declared objective; and

WHEREAS the resources on which the people of Alaska depended when their numbers were far fewer in Territorial days, namely, gold mining and fishing — both now diminished in quantity and in economic impact — will not suffice to create a vigorous, thriving, and expanding economy; and

WHEREAS for years the federal government has developed the hydroelectric resources of the 48 older states with such projects as the Tennessee Valley Authority, Hoover Dam, Grand Coulee Dam, Bonneville Dam, Hungry Horse Dam, and others, and is now engaged in the continuance of this sound utilization of our water resources with Glen Canyon, Arkansas Frying-Pan, and other hydroelectric projects; and

WHEREAS the greatest hydroelectric project on the North American continent, and indeed in the free world, is available on the Yukon River in Alaska, which can generate power at 2 mills a kilowatt hour, which will be the lowest cost power under the American flag; and

WHEREAS studies by the Corps of Engineers of the United States Army have already established the engineering feasibility of the dam at Rampart on the Yukon; and

WHEREAS the marketability of its low-cost power and the consequent attraction to Alaska of diverse industries and the utilization thereby of Alaskan and other raw materials not practically exploitable without low-cost power has been determined in the authoritative study by the Development and Resources Corporation of New York, a qualified agency retained by the Corps of Engineers for that purpose; and

WHEREAS the United States, through its Foreign Aid Program, is financing hydroelectric projects in many parts of the world among people who pay no taxes to the United States, and the products derived from them will be competitive with our own U. S. products;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska Senate strongly urges the federal agencies involved to speed the conclusion of the remaining Rampart and other Yukon River studies, and to report promptly to the Congress, and make possible the early request by the Alaska delegation in Congress for legislation providing authorization and appropriation for the Rampart Canyon Dam; 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 Robert S. McNamara, Secretary of Defense; the Honorable Stewart L. Udall, Secretary of the Interior; the Honorable Cyrus R. Vance, Secretary of the Army; the Honorable Lt. General W. K. Wilson, Jr., Chief of the Corps of Engineers, U. S. Army; the Honorable John W. McCormack, Speaker of the House of Representatives; and to the members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.

Passed by the Senate April 4, 1963.