

Public Roads is urgently requested to provide technical and financial assistance to the state for the planning and construction of a Fairbanks to Nome highway; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be sent to the Honorable

Luther H. Hodges, Secretary of Commerce; the Honorable Rex M. Whitton, Federal Highway Administrator, Bureau of Public Roads; the Honorable William J. Niemi, Regional Engineer, Bureau of Public Roads; and the members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.

Passed by the Senate April 11, 1964.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 33

Relating to the dredging of Raspberry Narrows.

Be it Resolved by the Senate:

WHEREAS an important part of Alaska's fishing and shell fishing industry is in Shelikof Strait; and

WHEREAS much of the produce of this fishery is processed on the eastern side of Kodiak Island; and

WHEREAS frequent cold and raging winds render it dangerous and sometimes impossible to go from Shelikof Strait to the processing plants on the eastern side of Kodiak Island; and

WHEREAS this difficulty of passage results in economic loss and serious risk of harm and death to the fishermen in the area; and

WHEREAS passage from Shelikof Strait to the eastern side would be greatly facilitated if the narrows between Raspberry Island and Afognak Island were clear; and

WHEREAS the dredging of the Raspberry Narrows would not be a major undertaking;

BE IT RESOLVED that the United States Corps of Engineers is respectfully petitioned to undertake the dredging of the Raspberry Narrows; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be sent to Lieutenant General Walter K. Wilson, Chief of Engineers, U. S. Army; Colonel Kenneth Sawyer, District Engineer, Corps of Engineers, Alaska; and the members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.

Passed by the Senate April 10, 1964.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 34

Relating to the construction of a bridge across the Tanana River at Nenana.

Be it Resolved by the Senate:

WHEREAS the state has programmed the construction of the Tanana River Bridge No. 202 at Nenana; and

WHEREAS the construction of this bridge is on the state priority list and is a necessary link in the proposed interstate highway; and

WHEREAS the location and construction of the bridge has been planned in consultation with hydraulic experts to insure that no damage will be caused by current action against the abutments to the City of Nenana and other riparian users; and

WHEREAS the present plans represent adjustments requested by the City of Nenana and the Alaska Railroad, a corporation of the federal government; and

WHEREAS the City of Nenana has approved the construction and location plans and desires immediate action while the Alaska Railroad has persisted in dilatory action delaying the construction by continually withdrawing one objection and replacing it with another or by making unreasonable demands for indemnification from the state;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Interior is requested to direct the Alaska Railroad to cooperate with the State of Alaska in its efforts to proceed

with the construction of Tanana River Bridge No. 202 at Nenana in order that the Alaska Department of Highways and the Corps of Engineers, U.S. Army, may complete their work on this vital highway link without further delay; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be sent to the Honorable Stewart L. Udall, Secretary of the Interior; the Honorable Wayne Aspinall,

Chairman, House Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs; the Honorable Henry M. Jackson, Chairman, Senate Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs; Lieutenant General Walter K. Wilson, Chief of Engineers, U.S. Army; the Honorable John E. Manley, General Manager, Alaska Railroad; Colonel Kenneth Sawyer, District Engineer (Alaska), Corps of Engineers; and the members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.

Passed by the Senate April 11, 1964.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 35

Relating to the harvesting of the national king crab resource by Soviet Russia on the American continental shelf.

Be it Resolved by the Senate:

WHEREAS the Bureau of Commercial Fisheries reports the presence of a large Russian fishing fleet off Kodiak Island using tangle nets to harvest the king crab resource in that area; and

WHEREAS king crab is recognized as a resource of the continental shelf under the Convention of the Continental Shelf adopted at the United Nations Conference on the Law of the Sea at Geneva in 1958, and Soviet Russia and the United States are both signatories to that Convention; and

WHEREAS the Russian fishing fleets continue to harvest the king crab resource in the United States waters covering the continental shelf despite the Convention and use gear which is harmful to the replenishment of the king crab resource and therefore forbidden to United States fishermen; and

WHEREAS Soviet Russia has recently expressed its condolence to Alaska for

the damage done by the March earthquake to Alaska's natural and other resources and now proceeds to harvest and harm the king crab resource upon which Alaska greatly depends for its economic well-being; and

WHEREAS it is now more imperative than ever that the Government of the United States insists that Soviet Russia desist from harvesting the king crab and other continental shelf resources of the United States;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Honorable Dean Rusk, Secretary of State, is most urgently requested to make the strongest representations to the Government of Soviet Russia to immediately desist its harvesting of the resources of the continental shelf of the United States as being in contravention to the letter and spirit of the Convention on the Continental Shelf and at this time being particularly deleterious to the economy of the disaster-stricken State of Alaska; and be it

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

Passed by the Senate April 8, 1964.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 36

Commending the communications and news media.

Be it Resolved by the Senate:

WHEREAS any effort to bring order

out of the chaos of a great natural disaster is bound to fail unless those making the decisions are informed of what has happened and can inform others of what needs to be done; and