

southcentral Alaska brought to the fore the importance of the service available to the people and communities concerned from public and private organizations; and

WHEREAS the military forces in Alaska provided an outstanding example of service under emergency conditions to provide medical and other assistance while assuming the main burden of maintaining order and protecting property during the recent disaster and the immediate aftermath; and

WHEREAS the efficiency and dispatch with which this assistance was provided in response to request from civilian authorities greatly lessened the problems attending the effects of the disaster;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate does hereby extend to the military commanders in Alaska and the officers and personnel working at their direction, including the Adjutant General, officers and men of the Alaska Army and Air

National Guard, Civil Air Patrol, and the U. S. Coast Guard, its sincerest thanks and commendation for a job well done; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be sent to the Honorable Lyndon B. Johnson, President of the United States and Commander in Chief of the Armed Forces; the Honorable Robert S. McNamara, Secretary of Defense; Lieutenant General Raymond J. Reeves, Commander in Chief, Alaskan Command; Major General Ned D. Moore, Commanding General, U. S. Army, Alaska; Major General James C. Jensen, Commander, Alaskan Air Command; Rear Admiral Robert E. Riera, Commander, Alaskan Sea Frontier; Rear Admiral George D. Synon, Commander, 17th Coast Guard District; Major General Thomas P. Carroll, Adjutant General, Alaska National Guard; and Colonel James E. Carter, Commander, Alaska Wing, Civil Air Patrol.

Passed by the Senate April 13, 1964.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 40

Relating to S. 1006, The Vessel Construction Act.

Be it Resolved by the Senate:

WHEREAS the recent earthquake and tidal waves destroyed a substantial part of the central Alaska fishing fleet; and

WHEREAS many of these boats are insured at their present values and not replacement values; and

WHEREAS the insurance is insufficient to replace these vessels, and replaced they must be if our resident fishermen are to get back in business, and get back

in business they must to shore up Alaska's already reduced economy and tax base;

BE IT RESOLVED that early House action on S. 1006, The Vessel Construction Act, is most urgent to accomplish the rebuilding of the central Alaska fishing fleet; and be it

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

Passed by the Senate April 14, 1964.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 41

Relating to urban renewal assistance in disaster areas.

Be it Resolved by the Senate:

WHEREAS the earthquake which occurred on March 27, 1964, in Alaska destroyed or severely damaged the majority of the residential structures in many of

the smaller communities in the disaster area and destroyed or damaged many of the residential structures in the Anchorage area; and

WHEREAS the communities in the disaster area will, pursuant to the provisions of 42 USC 1462, seek urban re-

newal assistance to reconstruct residential buildings; and

WHEREAS the Alaska earthquake was unique in that it substantially destroyed the industrial and commercial, as well as the residential, facilities in many of these communities; and

WHEREAS the almost total destruction of these communities has weakened their ability to recover to the extent that extraordinary assistance measures are required; and

WHEREAS the relaxation of some of the requirements in the existing federal law regarding urban renewal assistance will appreciably aid these communities to recover;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Congress of the United States is respectfully urged to amend the existing law regarding urban renewal assistance in disaster areas

to increase federal capital grants to local public agencies to 100 per cent of the net cost of renewal projects and to permit private property, which is condemned for an urban renewal project, to be appraised at its value before the disaster; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be sent to the Honorable Carl Hayden, President pro Tempore of the Senate; the Honorable John W. McCormack, Speaker of the House; the Honorable Lister Hill, Chairman, Senate Labor and Public Welfare Committee; the Honorable Oren Harris, House Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee; the Honorable Robert C. Weaver, Administrator, Housing and Home Finance Agency; the Honorable William L. Clayton, Commissioner, Urban Renewal Administration; and the members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.

Passed by the Senate April 14, 1964.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 42

Relating to the commercial use of the Haines-Fairbanks petroleum pipeline.

Be it Resolved by the Senate:

WHEREAS the military-operated pipeline connecting the Southeast coast city of Haines with Fairbanks is used only for an estimated 10 to 20 days per year of its fuel transporting capacity; and

WHEREAS the cost of transporting petroleum products by way of the Haines-Fairbanks pipeline is approximately five times less than the cost of transporting it by the present means to Central and Northern Alaska, thus making fuel in that area 8-10 cents a gallon higher than in coastal towns and areas; and

WHEREAS the unnecessarily high cost of petroleum fuel in Central and Northern Alaska is not only a hindrance to present development there but is also a factor working against the introduction of those industries which are needed to develop the natural resources of the area; and

WHEREAS the availability of petroleum fuel at a reasonable cost through commercial use of the pipeline would

permit the development of the resources of this region and thereby provide the Alaska Railroad and the ports it serves with additional incoming freight and a back-haul business;

BE IT RESOLVED that Governor William A. Egan is respectfully requested to make contact with the Alaska delegation in Congress and the appropriate federal officials to determine the feasibility of commercial use of the Haines-Fairbanks pipeline for the transportation of petroleum fuel to Central and Northern Alaska to the end that the economical development of the natural resources of that area can be realized for the general benefit of the state and nation; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be sent to the Honorable Lyndon B. Johnson, President of the United States; the Honorable Robert S. McNamara, Secretary of Defense; the Honorable Cyrus R. Vance, Secretary of the Army; the Honorable Luther H. Hodges, Secretary of Commerce; and the members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.

Passed by the Senate May 27, 1964.