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## JOINT RESOLUTION

Relating to the establishment of a Soil Conservation Plant and Material Center in the Matanuska Valley.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

WHEREAS there is a critical need in Alaska for species of grasses, legumes and trees that can persist under Alaska climatic conditions and produce the needed quantities of feed and forage at reasonable cost and provide an effective conservation cover on agricultural land and on areas denuded by construction; and

WHEREAS experiments of the Alaska Experiment Station have shown that there are many native species of plants which, with proper development, could supply the need; and

WHEREAS the development can best be carried out through a properly located and equipped center rather than by the individual farmer, as is now the situation;

BE IT RESOLVED that the United States Department of Agriculture is respectfully urged to establish a Soil Conservation Plant and Material Center in the Matanuska Valley, Alaska, as approved by the National Soil and Water Conservation Advisory Committee.

COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable

Orville L. Freeman, Secretary of Agriculture; the Honorable Allen J. Ellender, Chairman, Senate Committee on Agriculture and Forestry; the Honorable Harold D. Cooley, Chairman, House Committee on Agriculture; and to the Honorable E. L. Bartlett and the Honorable Ernest Gruening, U. S. Senators, and the Honorable Ralph J. Rivers, U. S. Representative, members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.