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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 66

Relating to a flood control project for the North Star Borough and Nenana area.

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

WHEREAS the Tanana Valley from the Canadian Border east of Northway to the confluence of the Tanana River and the Yukon River at Tanana, Alaska, has experienced disastrous high waters and flooding for periods of years; and

WHEREAS it has been reported in the news media and is general knowledge that the United States government is considering a flood control program for the North Star Borough area, which project would include a straightening of the Tanana River in the Fairbanks area; and

WHEREAS the flood control program for this area will affect the protection of life and property in the other areas of the Tanana River watershed; and

WHEREAS the lives and the property of the residents of Nenana will be especially vulnerable to disastrous consequences if the Tanana River and natural flow of water is changed without corresponding changes in the Nenana area;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska Legislature that if the Corps of Engineers, the United States Congress or the State of Alaska appropriates any funds for the control of water from the watersheds within the boundaries of the North Star Borough that they take into consideration the protection of life and property in all of the other areas of the Tanana River watershed, and specifically those areas down river from the Fairbanks area so as to assure the residents of Nenana safety from flood conditions.

COPIES of this Resolution shall be sent to Lieutenant General F. J. Clarke, Chief of Engineers, United States Army; the Honorable Allen J. Ellender, United States Senator and Chairman of the Senate Appropriations Committee; the Honorable George H. Mahon, United States Representative and Chairman of the House Appropriations Committee; the Honorable William A. Egan, Governor of the State of Alaska; the Honorable Ted Stevens and the Honorable Mike Gravel, U. S. Senators, and to the Honorable Nick Begich, U. S. Representative, members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.