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## HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 31

Relating to the federal highway trust funds.

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

WHEREAS the urban and rural street and highway needs of all of the states, and especially those of Alaska, far exceed available revenues under present funding; and

WHEREAS the orderly improvement and development of the nation's road systems is essential to continued economic growth as well as for the many related benefits accruing therefrom, such as improved highway safety and the social and recreational values for which adequate highways are necessary; and

WHEREAS the special taxes paid, in good faith, only by highway users for highway purposes have been withheld by the executive branch of our national government, contrary to congressional intent; and

WHEREAS in addition there are concerted efforts being made constantly to divert and reduce these highway funds so that they may be utilized to finance mass transit systems and for other non-highway purposes;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska Legislature that the President of the United States is urged to take all immediate action to have the withheld federal highway trust fund money distributed to the states; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Congress of the United States is urged to take any and all action necessary to preserve the federal highway trust fund money for highway uses only; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Congress take immediate appropriate action to guarantee that highway trust funds, as well as other funds, allocated to the states by the Congress be paid promptly to them and to make clear and definite that the executive branch shall not withhold such allocated funds, in whole or in part.

COPIES of this Resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Richard M. Nixon, President of the United States; the Honorable Roy L. Ash, Director, Office of Management and Budget; the Honorable Carl Albert, Speaker of the House; the Honorable James O. Eastland, President Pro Tempore of the Senate; and to the Honorable Ted Stevens and the Honorable Mike Gravel, U. S. Senators, members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.