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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 50

Relating to the proposed closing of the Point Retreat, Eldred Rock and Cape Spencer light stations.

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

WHEREAS the United States Coast Guard has proposed the closing of the Point Retreat, Eldred Rock and Cape Spencer light stations; and

WHEREAS these light stations are located in inland waters and are relied on heavily by vast numbers of mariners; and

WHEREAS these stations are equally beneficial and important to all of the varying watercraft plying these inland waters including those in the fishing, shipping and towing industries; and

WHEREAS unmanned light stations would constitute a hazard for the many craft without radar; and

WHEREAS mariners currently rely heavily on the "on the spot" weather reports which daily emanate from these three stations and such weather reports would also be eliminated by the closure of these stations;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska Legislature that it registers its most vigorous protest against the proposed closing of the manned light stations at Point Retreat, Eldred Rock and Cape Spencer in Southeast Alaska and urges the immediate cancellation of all such orders or plans.

COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Claude Brinegar, Secretary, Department of Transportation; the

Honorable Roy L. Ash, Director, Office of Management and Budget;
Admiral Chester R. Bender, Commandant, United States Coast Guard;
and to the Honorable Ted Stevens and the Honorable Mike Gravel,
U. S. Senators, and the Honorable Don Young, U. S. Representative,
members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.