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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 86

Relating to certain water resource development projects in certain areas of rural Alaska.

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

WHEREAS, under authority of section 103 of the River and Harbor Act of 1962, as amended, the United States Army Corps of Engineers has the authority to develop and construct small shore and beach restoration and protection projects that have not previously been authorized by Congress; and

WHEREAS, under authority of the 1948 Flood Control Act, as amended by section 205 of the 1962 Flood Control Act, the United States Army Corps of Engineers has the authority to construct small flood control projects not previously authorized by Congress; and

WHEREAS there are many communities in rural Alaska which are in dire need of the assistance that the Corps of Engineers could provide under the authority granted by the River and Harbor Act, as well as the Flood Control Act; and

WHEREAS the Corps of Engineers has never had a project, to date, above the 66th parallel;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska State Legislature that the United States Army Corps of Engineers is urgently requested to immediately initiate the necessary feasibility studies and take all other administrative action necessary to the commencement at the earliest possible time of beach and shore restoration projects and the construction of small flood control projects vitally needed for the Alaska communities of Ambler, Buckland, Deering, Kiana, Kivalina, Kobuk, Kaktovik, Barrow,

Selawik, Noorvik, Wainwright, Shungnak, Point Hope, Point Lay, Noatak, Shishmaref, and Kotzebue.

COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable John Warner, Secretary of the Army; Lieutenant General William C. Gribble, Chief of Engineers, and Colonel Charles E. Debelius, Alaska District Engineer, Corps of Engineers; 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.