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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 27

Relating to the cost-of-living allowance for federal employees in Alaska.

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

WHEREAS it has been announced that the United States Congress is considering reducing the cost-of-living allowance for federal employees in Alaska from 25 per cent to 20 per cent; and

WHEREAS the high wages being received by workers on the trans-Alaska pipeline are having and will continue to have an inflationary effect on the economy of Alaska, especially on the costs of goods and services; and

WHEREAS the cost of living has traditionally been, and continues to be, anywhere from 25 to 50 per cent higher than in the continental United States; and

WHEREAS, if the federal employees' cost-of-living allowance were to be reduced, thousands of federal personnel in Alaska would suffer unwarranted economic hardship;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska State Legislature that it vigorously opposes any reductions in the present cost-of-living allowance granted federal employees in Alaska and urgently requests the United States Congress to reject any and all such proposals.

COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Gerald R. Ford, President of the United States; the Honorable James Schlesinger, Secretary, Department of Defense; the Honorable Robert E. Hampton, Chairman, Civil Service Commission; the Honorable John L. McClellan, Chairman, Senate Appropriations

Committee; the Honorable George H. Mahon, Chairman, House Appropriations Committee; the Honorable John C. Stennis, Chairman, Senate Armed Services Committee; the Honorable Melvin Price, Chairman, House Armed Services Committee; 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.