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Encouraging the extension of a four-lane highway from the south end of Eklutna Flats to the Palmer-Wasilla "Y".

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

WHEREAS in response to an overwhelming need for improvements and expansion of the heaviest traveled road leading from Anchorage; and

WHEREAS the Parks/Glenn Highway (Alaska #3) is a state-owned and maintained highway; and

WHEREAS as the population of the Matanuska and Susitna Valleys is increasing rapidly due to their favorable location and proximity to Anchorage and many of the residents of this area commute daily to and from Anchorage; and

WHEREAS this is the only major thoroughfare for travel north out of Anchorage; and

WHEREAS large numbers of people travel on holidays and weekends to the Matanuska-Susitna Borough for recreation such as skiing, fishing, hunting, hiking, camping, picnicking, and other activities; and

WHEREAS large populations of moose occupy the Eklutna Flats and the Knik and Matanuska River deltas and pose a hazard to motorists that a wider road would alleviate; and

WHEREAS the highway is a scenic drive with magnificent views of the Talkeetna and Chugach Mountains, the Eklutna Flats, and the Matanuska and Knik Rivers; and

WHEREAS due to these varied reasons there is heavy traffic on the two-lane highway;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska State Legislature that the governor is respectfully requested to direct the commissioner of transportation and public facilities to request as a high priority, funds from the Federal Highway Administration for the construction of a four-lane highway from the south end of the Eklutna Flats to the Palmer-Wasilla "Y".