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Endorsing the application of the Department of Commerce and Economic Development for a rural development assistance demonstration grant.

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

WHEREAS the state is experiencing a major downturn in its economy due to the drop in oil revenue over the past two years; and

WHEREAS the people of the state are faced with rising unemployment, reduced state and local government services, a decrease in the level of business activity, and in many instances, the personal tragedy of the loss of a home or personal property; and

WHEREAS all areas of the state are being affected by the drop in oil revenue and the reduction of state and local services; and

WHEREAS the large size of the state and the sparse population of the rural parts of the state cause unique problems for the delivery of services; and

WHEREAS the rural areas of the state are a vital and important part of the state; and

WHEREAS the Department of Commerce and Economic Development has submitted an application to the federal Economic Development Administration for a rural economic development assistance grant that would fund a demonstration project to promote economic development, establish businesses, and increase job opportunities in the rural areas of the state;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska State Legislature endorses the application by the Department of Commerce and Economic Development for a rural development assistance demonstration grant from the Economic Development Administration; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Economic Development Administration is requested to expedite the review and approval of the grant application.

COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Malcolm Baldrige, Secretary of the U.S. Department of Commerce; and to the Honorable Ted Stevens and the Honorable Frank Murkowski, U.S. Senators, and the Honorable Don Young, U.S. Representative, members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.