

HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 11.

TO THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF
THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, IN CONGRESS AS-
SEMBLED:

We, your memorialists, the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska, do most respectfully and earnestly represent, that,

WHEREAS, by law, residents of Alaska are permitted, among other things, to kill each year a certain limited number of game food animals, including moose, deer, caribou and sheep; and

WHEREAS, certain fees, in some cases almost prohibitive in character, are charged to residents of Alaska on shipments outside of all trophies of such food game animals above described; and,

WHEREAS, Great waste results from carrying out of such policy in that the heads of such animals have to be cast away; and

WHEREAS, a check on such shipments could continue to be kept by a shipping permit being required to be taken out on each shipment out of the Territory;

NOW, THEREFORE, The Legislature of the Territory of Alaska, in this their third session assembled, respectfully urges upon the Congress of the United States an amendment to the Act of May 11, 1908, 35 Statutes at Large 102, permitting the free shipment of trophies of the above named food animals by residents of the Territory out of Alaska, subject, however, to permit or license through the United States Customs House, such trophies not to exceed in number for each person the limit of any particular class of animals permitted by law to be killed during the proper season.

Passed the House, April 20, 1917.

Passed the Senate, April 28, 1917.

HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 12.

TO THE HONORABLE, THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF REP-
RESENTATIVES OF THE UNITED STATES:

Your memorialists, the Senate and House of Representatives of Alaska, most respectfully represent that

WHEREAS, the Seward Peninsula is one of the greatest gold producing sections of Alaska, its total output almost total-

ing One Hundred Million Dollars, and contains the largest and richest auriferous deposits in America; and

WHEREAS, the development of such deposits has been retarded and the production of gold has been greatly curtailed by the excessive cost of transportation from tidewater points to the interior due to the lack of roads; and

WHEREAS, vast deposits of low grade gold-bearing gravel necessitate the use of hydraulic mining and dredging and the construction of roads is an imperative necessity for the hauling of machinery and fuel; and

WHEREAS, the interior of the Seward Peninsula is rich not only in placer gold but has immense deposits of gold-bearing quartz and also copper, tin, antimony, iron, graphite, coal, tungsten, and nearly every minor metal known, and such deposits have been prospected to the extent as to demonstrate that they exist in paying quantities; and

WHEREAS, the roads that have been constructed on the Seward Peninsula by the Alaska Road Commission have been of inestimable value in its development, yet such roads being limited in extent owing to the limited appropriations are insufficient to supply the needs for transportation facilities in the Seward Peninsula, which is in area larger than the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, owing to storms and ice conditions, mail service and transportation of goods via the circuitous coast route to Candle and Arctic ports is extremely uncertain and dangerous; and

WHEREAS, the construction of a trunk line Post road from Nome, the distributing point of the Peninsula, to Candle via the Kougarok and Imnachuk Mining Districts will open up the greater part of the interior and is an absolute necessity to the development of this great mining country;

NOW, THEREFORE, The Senate and House of Representatives of the Territory of Alaska most earnestly pray that an appropriation be made sufficient to build and construct a Trunk Line Post Road from Nome to Candle in the Seward Peninsula via the Kougarok and Imnachuk Mining Districts.

Your memorialists will ever pray.

Passed the House, April 23, 1917.

Passed the Senate, April 27, 1917.