

THEREFORE, be it further resolved that the Secretary of Alaska be instructed to send copies of this Memorial and supporting Petition to the President of the United States, the Senate and House of Representatives, to the Secretary of War, and to the Honorable Dan A. Sutherland, Delegate for Alaska.

Passed by the House, March 31, 1927.

Passed by the Senate, April 9, 1927.

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## HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 2.

### TO THE SECRETARY OF WAR:

Your memorialists, the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska, in Eighth Biennial Session assembled, respectfully represent that the 1925 Legislature of Alaska authorized a limited sum of the Territorial road appropriation to be expended for the construction and maintenance of aviation fields, and as a result of this authorization, 26 airplane landing fields were constructed in the Territory suitable for the landing of small airplanes and that the present Legislature contemplates further authorization to provide for the construction of landing fields in the Territory. During the past biennium two aviation companies operated out of Fairbanks, Alaska, and report the following business: 269 trips totaling 95,000 aerial miles, 16 tons of express, and 415 passengers carried, estimated passenger miles 60,000. The economic benefit derived from this new method of transportation cannot easily be estimated.

The operation of airplanes across the vast unsettled regions of Alaska to isolated or remote districts, is both hazardous and difficult and therefore every existing public facility should be made available to render all possible aid, both to foster and protect this new transportation method.

Your memorialists therefore respectfully request that the free use of the government telegraph service in the Territory of Alaska be extended, to the extent that persons operating commercial or other planes may secure upon request weather reports, notify communities of the departure of a plane for such destination, receive immediate report upon arrivals thereof, and such other information as may safeguard and aid the operation of airplanes in the Territory of Alaska.

BE IT RESOLVED: That a copy of this memorial be sent by the Secretary of Alaska to the President of the United States, the Secretary of War, the Secretary of Commerce, the Secretary of the Interior, Col. J. D. L. Hartmann, Officer in charge of the Washington-Alaska Military Cable and Telegraph System, Seattle, Washington, Gen. James G. Steese, President Alaska Road Commission, Juneau, Alaska, and the Hon. Dan Sutherland, Delegate to Congress from Alaska.

And your memorialists will ever pray.

Passed the House, March 24, 1927.

Passed the Senate, April 1, 1927.

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### HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 4.

TO THE UNITED STATES VETERANS' BUREAU:

We, your memorialists, the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska, respectfully represent:

Whereas, the Veterans' Bureau maintains one or more offices in every State in the Union and in the Philippine Islands, in Porto Rico and the Hawaiian Islands, there is no official of the bureau in Alaska.

Whereas, there are many veterans of the World War now residents of Alaska who, because of lack of information and contact with the Veterans' Bureau, are deprived of benefits which are their just due.

Whereas, your memorialists realized that the establishment of even one office in Alaska would be expensive and because of the vastness of the Territory would relieve the situation but little, whereas, there are many American Legion Posts throughout Alaska which are in direct contact with a great majority of veterans.

NOW THEREFORE, your memorialists respectfully pray that the Veterans' Bureau send a representative to Alaska in the near future to visit and instruct the Legion Posts of the benefits now available to veterans and that he be empowered to establish some means of cooperation between the Veterans' Bureau and the American Legion Posts of Alaska wherein they can act as agents of the Veterans' Bureau.

And your memorialists will ever pray.

Passed by the House, April 1, 1927.

Passed by the Senate, April 4, 1927.