

## SENATE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 10

TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES, CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES, THE HONORABLE JULIUS A. KRUG, SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR, AND THE SUBCOMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS:

Your Memorialist, the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska, in Eighteenth Session assembled, respectfully submits that:

WHEREAS, adequate transportation is vital to the civilian economy of the Territory of Alaska; and,

WHEREAS, the Alaska Railroad, operating between Seward, Whittier, Anchorage and Fairbanks, is one of the few main transportation arteries that are available to the people of the Territory for the necessary transport of supplies and equipment required for the support of homes and businesses over a large area; and,

WHEREAS, the necessity of developing military and naval bases in the Territory of Alaska for the proper defense of the United States has been demonstrated beyond question and to properly construct, supply and maintain such military bases in many areas would be impossible without the Alaska Railroad being maintained and equipped to transport the required tonnage; and,

WHEREAS, there has been no substantial rehabilitation of roadbed, structures or equipment of the railroad for many years and as a result its condition is such that it cannot now adequately care for either civilian or military freight; and,

WHEREAS, a program has been advanced to provide the required new equipment, roadbed and buildings to place the railroad in good condition with a proper plant sufficient to efficiently discharge its responsibilities in moving freight and passengers that are now available:

NOW, THEREFORE, your Memorialist, the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska, respectfully prays that the Department of the Interior and the Congress of the United States, recognize the necessity of the adoption of the proposed rehabilitation plan of the

Alaska Railroad, or one similar in extent, and make available the required funds to carry it out without delay as the need is immediate and urgent and failure to carry out such a program would result in a complete breakdown of the only rail transportation in the Territory of Alaska and do irreparable harm, both from a civilian and military standpoint.

AND YOUR MEMORIALIST WILL EVER PRAY.

Passed by the Senate February 20, 1947.

Passed by the House February 20, 1947.

Approved by the Governor, February 26, 1947.

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## SENATE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 12

TO THE HONORABLE JULIUS A. KRUG, SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR, AND TO THE HONORABLE E. L. BARTLETT, DELEGATE TO CONGRESS:

Your Memorialist, the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska, in Eighteenth Session assembled, respectfully submits that:

WHEREAS, the appropriation for the Alaska Game Commission is inadequate for the following reasons:

1. Tremendous increase in population in the Territory and anticipated influx of new residents;
2. Game and fur animals now more accessible to hunters and trappers due to new highways and additional airplane facilities;
3. Important relationship of game and fur animals to livelihood and recreation of residents of Alaska;
4. Insufficient funds of the Fish and Wildlife Service working under the advice and guidance of the Alaska Game Commission to give adequate protection to and conservation of wild life of the Territory;
5. Inability to maintain adequate enforcement.