

WHEREAS, emergency transportation could be obtained during the threatened shutdown, including possible amendment of Sec. 27 of the Jones Act to permanently remove discrimination against Alaska, or temporary suspension thereof, making Canadian service available; and,

WHEREAS, it is not believed that Seattle distributors and attendant interests would permit any sustained discontinuance of service by carriers headquartered in their city; and,

WHEREAS, the development of Alaska into a strong buffer state is of paramount importance to the national security, which should be safeguarded by unstinting relief with insistence on efficiency measures, to solve this transportation problem, with the view that added development would soon increase freight business to the point where operators could reduce their rates below the present high level, rendering adequate federal assistance but a temporary burden, in the nature of a sound investment.

THEREFORE, your memorialist accepts the challenge laid down by the carriers, and directs its administrative officers to fight any increase in waterborne freight rates with every means at their disposal, and hereby urges Federal authorities to lend support to the Territory in this matter of national concern.

AND YOUR MEMORIALIST WILL EVER PRAY.

Passed by the Senate February 4, 1947.

Passed by the House February 5, 1947.

Approved by the Governor, February 10, 1947.

SENATE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 2

TO THE HIGHWAY ENGINEER:

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

WHEREAS, there exists in Thomas Basin, Ketchikan, Alaska, the need of extra moorage facilities to accommodate small fishing boats; and

WHEREAS, unless this need is met, a great hardship will be imposed upon operators of small fishing boats; and

WHEREAS, the fishing fleet within a range of one hundred miles of Thomas Basin, Ketchikan, Alaska, is valued at an amount in excess of Six Million (\$6,000,000.00) Dollars; and

WHEREAS, the boats are, in most cases, the sole livelihood of the operators and their families; and

WHEREAS, it is apparent that for lack of moorage facilities, the safety of small fishing boats is greatly jeopardized.

NOW, THEREFORE, your Memorialist, respectfully petitions and prays that the Highway Engineer take steps as soon as possible to expend the sum of Fifteen Thousand (\$15,000.00) Dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, for the construction of a float for the use of boats engaged in commercial fishing, in Thomas Basin, Ketchikan, Alaska.

AND YOUR MEMORIALIST WILL EVER PRAY.

Passed by the Senate February 13, 1947.

Passed by the House February 27, 1947.

Approved by the Governor. March 11, 1947.

SENATE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 3

TO THE HONORABLE JULIUS A. KRUG, SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR:

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