

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 30

Inviting the Honorable Henry Roden to address the Senate.

Be it Resolved by the Senate:

WHEREAS fifty years have now passed since the adjournment of the First Territorial Legislature; and

WHEREAS the Honorable Henry Roden, a distinguished pioneer Alaskan and long-time public servant, is the only surviving member of the Senate of that First Territorial Legislature; and

WHEREAS, in this 51st year of self-government for Alaska and sixth year

of statehood, the State Senate would appreciate a visit from and the advice and counsel of a distinguished former colleague;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate does hereby extend a cordial invitation to the Honorable Henry Roden to enjoy the privileges of the floor during the closing days of the Second Session of the Third Legislature in order to give the members of the Senate the opportunity to again hear personally from and express their sincerest best wishes to their distinguished former colleague.

Passed by the Senate March 23, 1964.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 31

Extending greetings to the Honorable Gerrit H. Snider.

Be it Resolved by the Senate:

WHEREAS it has come to the attention of the Senate that a former colleague, the Honorable Gerrit Hienie Snider, is now convalescing from a serious illness; and

WHEREAS the members of the Senate recall the service of Hienie Snider as a member of the Territorial Senate and House, and his active participation in Alaska events throughout the years in-

cluding his recent service to the state at the Alaska exhibition at the Seattle World's Fair;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate does hereby express its best wishes for a speedy recovery to this distinguished pioneer Alaskan, former legislative colleague, and friend, and cordially extends an invitation to the Honorable Gerrit H. Snider to enjoy the privileges of the floor of the Senate if he is able to come to the capital during the current legislative session.

Passed by the Senate March 24, 1964.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 32

Relating to the construction of a highway from Fairbanks to Nome.

Be it Resolved by the Senate:

WHEREAS highway construction in Alaska is essential to the economic development of the state and a necessary part of the defense posture of the state and the nation; and

WHEREAS the construction of a highway between Fairbanks and Nome, as an extension of that route unofficially designated as International Highway No. 97, will greatly assist the economic development of Northeastern Alaska in

that this highway will provide access to the oil, tin, and other natural resources in that area; and

WHEREAS this highway will also be of military value in that it will end the surface isolation of the vital defense communications installations along or adjoining the route; and

WHEREAS both state and federal authorities have for some time been aware of the economic and military benefits which will accrue from a Fairbanks to Nome highway;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Bureau of

Public Roads is urgently requested to provide technical and financial assistance to the state for the planning and construction of a Fairbanks to Nome highway; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be sent to the Honorable

Luther H. Hodges, Secretary of Commerce; the Honorable Rex M. Whitton, Federal Highway Administrator, Bureau of Public Roads; the Honorable William J. Niemi, Regional Engineer, Bureau of Public Roads; and the members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.

Passed by the Senate April 11, 1964.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 33

Relating to the dredging of Raspberry Narrows.

Be it Resolved by the Senate:

WHEREAS an important part of Alaska's fishing and shell fishing industry is in Shelikof Strait; and

WHEREAS much of the produce of this fishery is processed on the eastern side of Kodiak Island; and

WHEREAS frequent cold and raging winds render it dangerous and sometimes impossible to go from Shelikof Strait to the processing plants on the eastern side of Kodiak Island; and

WHEREAS this difficulty of passage results in economic loss and serious risk of harm and death to the fishermen in the area; and

WHEREAS passage from Shelikof Strait to the eastern side would be greatly facilitated if the narrows between Raspberry Island and Afognak Island were clear; and

WHEREAS the dredging of the Raspberry Narrows would not be a major undertaking;

BE IT RESOLVED that the United States Corps of Engineers is respectfully petitioned to undertake the dredging of the Raspberry Narrows; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be sent to Lieutenant General Walter K. Wilson, Chief of Engineers, U. S. Army; Colonel Kenneth Sawyer, District Engineer, Corps of Engineers, Alaska; and the members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.

Passed by the Senate April 10, 1964.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 34

Relating to the construction of a bridge across the Tanana River at Nenana.

Be it Resolved by the Senate:

WHEREAS the state has programmed the construction of the Tanana River Bridge No. 202 at Nenana; and

WHEREAS the construction of this bridge is on the state priority list and is a necessary link in the proposed interstate highway; and

WHEREAS the location and construction of the bridge has been planned in consultation with hydraulic experts to insure that no damage will be caused by current action against the abutments to the City of Nenana and other riparian users; and

WHEREAS the present plans represent adjustments requested by the City of Nenana and the Alaska Railroad, a corporation of the federal government; and

WHEREAS the City of Nenana has approved the construction and location plans and desires immediate action while the Alaska Railroad has persisted in dilatory action delaying the construction by continually withdrawing one objection and replacing it with another or by making unreasonable demands for indemnification from the state;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Interior is requested to direct the Alaska Railroad to cooperate with the State of Alaska in its efforts to proceed