ALASKA BOARD OF GAME

FAIRBANKS, ALASKA

April 5, 1978

Resolution #78-16-GB: Relating to (d)(2) Legislation

Whereas 17(d)(2) legislation (H.R. 39) has passed the House Interior and Insular Affairs Committee, and

Whereas the House Merchant Marine and Fisheries Committee is considering this bill, and

Whereas Senator Gravel has drafted proposed legislation with major titles similar to those in H.R. 39, and

Whereas the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee will be preparing for markup session on (d)(2), and

Whereas 17(d)(2) legislation involves critical provisions relative to the State of Alaska, and all states' abilities to manage state fish and wildlife resources;

Now Therefore, the Alaska Board of Game hereby resolves that the following provisions of H.R. 39, as now drafted, are unacceptable to the State of Alaska:

1. Access to public lands and waters, including easements;

2. Fish and wildlife management provisions including those on subsistence which essentially supplant an integrated statewide management system with a fragmented system under federal government direction;

3. Excessive land designations that are closed to or restrict hunting, fishing, trapping and other recreational pursuits in much of the critical acreage of the state.

Be it further resolved that the Board of Game hereby directs the Department of
Fish and Game to provide copies of this resolution, with supporting
information, to all Fish and Game Advisory Committees in Alaska, requesting
their immediate consideration and action in the form of resolutions, to
be directed to Alaska's Governor and Congressional representatives.

Be it further resolved that the Board of Game requests Governor Hammond, Senator Stevens, Senator Gravel, and Congressman Don Young to accept no compromise which in any way infringes upon the authority of the State of Alaska to manage the fish and wildlife within its boundaries.

Copies of this resolution are to immediately be distributed to Governor Hammond, Congressman Young, and Senators Stevens and Gravel.

Samuel J. Harbo/

Chairman, Alaska Board of Game

(the above telegramed to Alaska's Congressional delegation 6:30 pm April 5, 1978)