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Dear Congressman:

At the 53rd Annual Meeting of the U.S. Jaycees held June 22-29, which was attended by approximately 10,000 Jaycees, the voting delegates consisting of 6,300 members unanimously adopted a resolution favoring immediate construction of the Trans-Alaska Pipeline.

Through the efforts of the Alaska Pipeline Education Committee, Ed Merdes of Fairbanks and former international Jaycee president, moderated a panel on the Future of Energy, at which time the pipeline issue was discussed. Due to this panel and the efforts of the Alaska Jaycee delegation the pipeline resolution was given emergency priority to come on the floor during the Convention.

On Thursday, June 28, during the corporate business session, the resolution was presented and by roll call vote of all 51 Jaycee states, passed unanimously. Attached is a copy of the resolution as presented to the Jaycee Executive Committee and voting body.

We request your consideration of this resolution and ask for your support in Congress regarding positive legislation toward construction of the Trans-Alaska Pipeline.

Sincerely,

Wayne Mabry
President - Alaska Jaycees
WHEREAS, our nation is currently experiencing a serious shortage of energy fuels, with future prospects appearing to worsen; and

WHEREAS, only one oil field on the North Slope of Alaska contains at least 25% of our domestic reserves and could provide a significant amount of the fuel to alleviate the said energy crisis in a relatively brief period of time; and

WHEREAS, such natural resource development would create a significant number of new employment opportunities in pipeline construction and in domestic U. S. tanker construction; and

WHEREAS, moving domestic oil through a trans-Alaska pipeline would ease foreign pressure on the U. S. dollar and would possibly alleviate international political pressure on the United States in the mid-East crisis; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED that the United States Jaycees do hereby urge the Congress of the United States to enact legislation authorizing the construction of the trans-Alaska pipeline at the earliest possible time consistent with strict environmental stipulations to insure its safe construction and operation.