

RESOLUTIONS

The record of resolutions is extremely faulty. Apparently no ledger record was kept. Some of those found in the Journal are listed below. However, it is not a complete list.

A resolution relating to Senator Knowland - Nov. 15, 1955.

Resolution No. 8 by the Rules Committee relating to the Secretary's absence - Dec. 2, 1955.

Resolution No. 9 by Mr. Sundborg relating to adjournment on December 3 out of respect to the memory of the Honorable A. J. Dimond - Dec. 2, 1955.

A resolution relating to the capital of the state by Mr. Harris - Dec. 8, 1955.

A resolution relating to Mr. George Lehleitner - Jan. 28, 1956. (*See Folder No. 176*)

A group of 17 resolutions was passed during the last few days of the Convention. They were prepared by the Committee on Administration, and were chiefly acknowledgements of courtesies, and effecting arrangements for concluding the business and records of the Convention after adjournment.

The resolution, ORDERLY TRANSITION FROM TERRITORIAL STATUS TO STATEHOOD, by the Committee on Ordinances and Transitional Measures failed of adoption.

*The resolution "Friendly Relations with Canada" may be found in Folder No. 214.
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RESOLUTION

ORDERLY TRANSITION FROM TERRITORIAL STATUS TO STATEHOOD

TO: The Senate, Congress of the United States
The House of Representatives, Congress of the United States
The Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs,
Senate, United States Congress
The Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs, House
of Representatives, United States Congress

WHEREAS H.R. 2535 and S.B. 50, the pending bills for admission of Alaska as a state of the Union, now before Congress, provide assistance for the long range transition from Territorial status to statehood, and

WHEREAS an orderly transition will require provision of adequate means for continuance of many functions of the Federal Government during the shorter transition period immediately following the advent of statehood, and

WHEREAS no specified period of time is established in the pending statehood legislation for full assumption by the new state of such functions and payment of the operating costs involved;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the people of Alaska, through their Delegates in Constitutional Convention assembled respectfully request and urge:

Not adopted

(This is the Style & Drafting version. For the original as introduced, dated Jan. 31, see folder 204, Committee on Education and Transitional Measures.)

That the Act to admit Alaska as a State of the Union be amended to provide for the continued use of federal appropriations for payment of the costs of the normal functions of government during the fiscal year in which admission of Alaska is accomplished, or until the operation of such functions is earlier assumed by the State.

DONE at College, Alaska, this fourth day of February, 1956, by direction of the Convention.

President

ATTEST: _____
Secretary

RESOLUTION

Introduced by the Delegates

WHEREAS, for seventy-five convention days, the Honorable William A. Egan has served as presiding officer; and

WHEREAS, in this capacity he has demonstrated to all, his parliamentary skill, his unwavering fairness, his personal friendliness, and his untiring devotion to duty; and

WHEREAS, the delegates and officers of this convention desire to express their gratitude for his outstanding leadership, in a form that will endure along with their admiration, and in a form that will enable them to indicate their gratitude to his charming wife and son, as well as to all other Alaskans;

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved, that the Honorable William A. Egan, President of the Alaska Constitutional Convention of 1955 be asked to accept, as a token of our thanks, admiration, and affection, a portrait of himself, painted by the distinguished artist Christian von Schneidau on commission from the delegates, and that a copy of this resolution properly inscribed be presented to our esteemed President Egan.

RESOLUTION

STAFF OF CONVENTION SECRETARIAT

WHEREAS the efficiency, dedication, and good humor of the Convention staff have contributed greatly to the accomplishments of the Convention and have made the work of the delegates more enjoyable; and

WHEREAS unusual demands were made on the time and energy of all the staff and these were cheerfully and fully met on every occasion;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ALASKA CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION:

1. That the Convention hereby expresses its warm appreciation to all members of the staff for their devoted services;
2. That special thanks are extended to Mrs. Katherine T. Alexander, Chief Clerk, for her invaluable help to the Convention, particularly in keeping the daily Journal and in otherwise accurately recording actions on the Convention floor;
3. That recognition is hereby given to the outstanding contribution made by Miss Doris Ann Bartlett as Convention librarian and research assistant;
4. That special recognition also is hereby given to the extraordinary assistance rendered by Mrs. Jean Stokes, the principal Convention stenotypist, whose efficiency, pleasantness, and endurance will long be remembered by the delegates;

RESOLUTION

AUDIT OF ACCOUNTS

WHEREAS it is necessary to provide an adequate report on the expenditure of appropriated funds by the convention;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the President is authorized and directed to secure, at the earliest possible time, an audit of the funds expended by the Convention.

DONE at College, Alaska, this sixth day of February, 1956, by direction of the Convention.

William A. Egan President

ATTEST: _____
 Secretary

RESOLUTION

COMPLETION OF CONVENTION BUSINESS

WHEREAS it is necessary to provide for the orderly disposition of the property and records of the Alaska Constitutional Convention and to complete other unfinished business of the Convention after adjournment;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ALASKA CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION:

1. That the President of the Convention, with such assistance as he may require from among the delegates or the staff of the Convention, be authorized to conclude the unfinished business of the Convention and to expend such funds from the authorized appropriation as may be necessary to complete the work of and carry out the purposes of the Convention.

2. That the President of the Convention, or a person designated by him, shall carry out the following duties:

(a) Arrange for the printing and distribution to the Clerks of Court in each Division of official ballots setting forth the questions to be presented to the voters at the primary elections on the 24th of April 1956 as provided in the Schedule appended to the Constitution. The Secretary shall also send the Clerks such instructions and forms as may be necessary.

(b) Send official copies of the Constitution to the Governor of Alaska for transmission to the President and the Congress of the United States, and to other designated recipients, and facsimile copies

As passed

February 4, 1956

RESOLUTION

Introduced by Delegate John B. Coghill, Chairman of the
Committee on Administration on behalf of the Committee

In order to provide for the orderly disposition of the property and records of the Alaska Constitutional Convention and of other unfinished business of the Convention after adjournment, I hereby move:

1. That the President of the Convention and the Chairman of the Administration Committee shall, with the assistance of the Secretary of the Convention, be responsible for the orderly termination of the affairs of the Convention.

2. That the procedure established for expending Convention funds shall continue to be followed, provided that the approval of the Chairman of the Committee of Administration on financial transactions shall be obtained in all instances where the approval of the Committee has heretofore been required.

3. That the Secretary of the Convention shall, under the direction of the President of the Convention, carry out the following duties:

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(b) Send official copies of the Constitution to the Governor of Alaska for transmission to the President and the Congress of the United States, and to other designated recipients, and facsimile copies as directed by the Committee on Administration.

(c) Arrange for the printing of 5,000 copies of the constitution and of an explanatory summary thereof, and for their proper distribution. Additional copies may be printed with the approval of the President and the Chairman of the Committee on Administration.

(d) Arrange for two copies of the proceedings of the Convention's plenary sessions to be typed; for the safe storage of the tape recordings of the plenary sessions; for the orderly filing of convention documents, including the journal; and for the deposit of convention documentary records of all types and files with the Secretary of Alaska for safeguarding.

(e) Submit to the next Legislature a report of the financial transactions of the Convention.

(f) Transfer the Convention library without reimbursement, to the Alaska Statehood Committee, after loaned materials have been returned. Copies of duplicate materials may be given to the library of the University of Alaska, the Alaska Historical Museum, the Territorial Library Service and other institutions.

Constitutional Convention
February 5, 1956

R E S O L U T I O N

DONATION OF CHARLES R. GRIFFIN

WHEREAS Mr. Charles R. Griffin donated personally engraved fountain pens for use by the delegates to the Alaska Constitutional Convention;

NOW THEREFORE be it resolved, that the convention hereby expresses its appreciation to Mr. Griffin.

DONE at College, Alaska, this fifth day of February, 1956,
by direction of the Convention.

William A. Egan President

ATTEST: _____
Secretary

RESOLUTION

Alaska Statehood Committee

WHEREAS the Statehood Committee arranged for the Public Administration Service of Chicago to prepare papers on technical subjects for the use of the delegates, papers which were of inestimable value to the delegates and the committees of the Convention; and

WHEREAS the Statehood Committee made contacts with specialists in various fields of government and made recommendations to the Convention on the basis of which consultants were appointed by the Convention; and

WHEREAS the Alaska Statehood Committee was responsible for making the physical arrangements for the Alaska Constitutional Convention; and

WHEREAS the law establishing the Statehood Committee authorizes and directs the Committee to gather information on the "best way of getting over the transition period---prior to the convening of the first state legislature";

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska Constitutional Convention:

1. That the Convention express its appreciation to the Alaska Statehood Committee and through it to the Public Administration Service for the excellent preparatory work done for the convention, and for the assistance which the Committee has rendered throughout the Convention;

2. That the Statehood Committee be urged to proceed immediately with studies required in planning for the transition from territorial to state government and to expand those activities which might speed the territory's attainment of statehood.

DONE at College, Alaska, this fourth day of February, 1956, by direction of the Convention.

William A. Egan President

ATTEST: _____
Secretary

RESOLUTION

IMMEDIATE STATEHOOD

WHEREAS the preparation of a constitution is one of the tests of the capacity of a people to govern themselves; and

WHEREAS the delegates to The Alaska Constitutional Convention firmly believe that the constitution agreed upon provides a sound basis for state government; and

WHEREAS the adoption of the Constitution of the State of Alaska by the people will demonstrate undeniably both the desire of Alaskans for statehood and the assurance that a government so established will embody the ideals upon which our nation is founded; and

WHEREAS the basic principle of the American democracy, government by consent of the governed, has too long been denied the people of Alaska; and

WHEREAS the continuation of colonial rule over a people who are wholly capable of governing themselves is unjust and intolerable; and

WHEREAS at a time when colonial peoples throughout the world are striving to attain full self-government and are attaining it with the aid and encouragement of the United States, it is indefensible that American citizens in Alaska are denied the rights of American citizens elsewhere;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska Constitutional Convention that the President of the United States and the Congress are requested to

RESOLUTION

OFFICIALS OF THE UNIVERSITY

WHEREAS, the Board of Regents of the University of Alaska, the President, and other officials of the University have provided this convention with unparalleled facilities in making available the student union building for the entire period of the convention; and

WHEREAS, these facilities have greatly aided the work of the convention not only because of the comfort and convenience which they have afforded but also because of the tranquil yet serious atmosphere which they have provided; and

WHEREAS, a spirit of welcome and cooperation has been expressed not only in words but in action by every university official; and

WHEREAS, the University's hospitality has been at great cost to the University in the loss of the use of its own building, in the interruption of its own program, in the increased load on its administrative staff; and

WHEREAS, the University has shown its recognition of the work of this convention by designating the student union building "Constitution Hall,"

RESOLUTION

STUDENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY

WHEREAS the Alaska Constitutional Convention has ~~ac-~~
occupied quired the building now known as Constitution Hall formerly the
Student Union Building, at the University of Alaska, since the
eighth day of November, 1955; and

WHEREAS the students of the University of Alaska have
been deprived of the use of their student union building
since that time and have been inconvenienced by the extra
burden on all university facilities; and

WHEREAS in spite of these inconveniences the students
have at all times shown a spirit of gracious hospitality;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED by the Alaska
Constitutional Convention:

1. That the Convention acknowledges its great appreciation
to the students of the University of Alaska and wishes them
the fullest measure of success as they prepare for future
service in this great State;
2. That the Convention expresses the hope that students of
the University, now and hereafter, will ever be aware of the
precious memories the delegates carry with them of their days
at the University of Alaska.

DONE at College, Alaska, this fourth day of February,
1956, by direction of the Convention.

President

ATTEST:

Secretary

RESOLUTION

CHAPLAINS

WHEREAS the deliberations of this Convention have each day begun with an invocation to God; and

WHEREAS this invocation has been a source of inspiration to the delegates and a reminder of the spiritual needs of all men; and

WHEREAS the Chaplains rendering this service to the Convention have, in many cases, interrupted other important work in order to respond to the request of the Convention;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska Constitutional Convention:

1. That the Convention hereby expresses its appreciation to the Chaplains of all faiths who have rendered this great service.

2. That the Secretary of the Convention send a copy of this resolution to the Reverend John C. Stokes, President of the Fairbanks Ministerial Association, and to Father George Boileau of the Catholic Church in Fairbanks, and to all the Chaplains who have served the Convention.

DONE at College, Alaska, this fourth day of February, 1956, by direction of the Convention.

William A. Egan President

ATTEST: _____
Secretary

RESOLUTION

PRESS, RADIO, AND TELEVISION

WHEREAS an understanding by the public of the problems and proceedings of a constitutional convention is indispensable for the ultimate success of a convention's work; and

WHEREAS this understanding can be achieved only through an accurate presentation of the facts through the press, radio, and television; and

WHEREAS those in these fields of commercial communication have given the Convention substantial public coverage throughout Alaska; and

WHEREAS the reporting of the Alaska Constitutional Convention has been objective and fair:

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska Constitutional Convention that the Convention acknowledges its great appreciation to the press, radio, and television media of Alaska, and to the Fairbanks Daily News-Miner, and to Florence Douthit and Jim Douthit for their contribution to the wide public understanding of the Convention and of its proceedings.

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President

William A. Egan

ATTEST:

Secretary

RESOLUTION

RECOGNITION OF THE SERVICES OF DR. MOBERG

WHEREAS Dr. Donald R. Moberg, Professor of History and Political Science at the University of Alaska, has been active in promoting constitutional studies throughout Alaska; and

WHEREAS Dr. Moberg assisted in the drafting and urged the introduction of the original bill providing for the Alaska Constitutional Convention; and

WHEREAS Dr. Moberg gave generously of his time and advice to delegates and committees of this Convention

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska Constitutional Convention:

That the Convention acknowledge its deep appreciation of the generous assistance which Dr. Donald R. Moberg has given the Alaska Constitutional Convention and the people of Alaska.

DONE at College, Alaska, this fourth day of February, 1956, by the direction of the Convention.

ATTEST: _____
Secretary

William A. Egan
President

RESOLUTION

CERTIFICATION UNDER ALASKA-TENNESSEE PLAN

WHEREAS the Alaska Constitutional Convention has adopted the Alaska-Tennessee Plan as Ordinance Number Two of the Constitution of the State of Alaska; and

WHEREAS it has been the practice in territories which have elected their members of Congress before the enactment of statehood enabling legislation to have the President of the Constitutional Convention sign a memorial stating the reasons for this action, and for presentation to the United States Congress by the first senators and representatives, the memorial serving as their credentials:

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska Constitutional Convention that President William A. Egan is hereby authorized to prepare and sign a memorial to the Congress of the United States, which memorial shall serve as the certificate of election and as the credentials of the senators and representative elected by the people of Alaska, and which shall contain appropriate statements of the votes cast and the reasons for the election.

DONE at College, Alaska, this fourth day of February, 1956, by the direction of the Convention.

William A. Egan

President

ATTEST: _____

Secretary

As passed.

Constitutional Convention
February 4, 1956

RESOLUTION

Introduced by the Committee on Administration on
Recommendation of the Committee on Ordinances

WHEREAS, the Convention has adopted the Alaska-Tennessee Ordinance as part of the Constitution, and

WHEREAS, it has been customary in territories using this method of securing statehood, to have the president of the convention sign a memorial to the Congress stating the reason for this action and to deliver the memorial to the senators and representative-elect for their presentation to the Congress and to serve as their credentials, now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED by the Delegates in Convention assembled:
That President William A. Egan, be, and he is hereby authorized to prepare and sign a memorial after the election of senators and a representative, directed to the Congress of the United States, which memorial shall be the certification of election and credentials of the officers-elect, and in substance shall contain a statement of the votes cast for the offices and the reasons that the Territory of Alaska used this method to petition Congress.

RESOLUTION

ALASKA NATIVE LANDS

WHEREAS many Native Alaskans suffer grave inequities owing to basic conflicts between the historic Native concept of use and occupancy of land and the prevalent concept of property ownership; and

WHEREAS such conflicts have never been fully resolved in Alaska; and

WHEREAS many Native Alaskans suffer uncertainty in their use and possession of properties long occupied as homes, hunting camps, and fishing sites; and

WHEREAS substantial grants of land will be made to the State of Alaska by the United States, subject to State selection:

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska Constitutional Convention

1. That the first Alaska State Legislature is hereby urged to make provision in the initial selection of lands to correct such inequities and to remove these uncertainties regarding Native home, hunting camps, and fishing sites, by granting to qualified claimants title to them;

2. That this resolution shall not prejudice or affect presently pending aboriginal claims matters.

As passed.

3. That the proper federal agencies are urged, pending statehood, to hasten the issuance of patents in all proper cases to Native land claimants, and otherwise to adjudicate Native land claims.

DONE at College, Alaska, this fourth day of February, 1956, by direction of the Convention.

William A. Egan President

ATTEST: _____
Secretary

Constitutional Convention
February 4, 1956

RESOLUTION

Introduced by M. R. Marston

WHEREAS, many Native Alaskans suffer grave inequities by virtue of basic conflicts between the historic Native concept of use and occupancy of land, and property ownership as known today; and

WHEREAS, such conflict has never been fully resolved in Alaska; and

WHEREAS, many Native Alaskans suffer uncertainty in their use and possession of properties long occupied as homes, hunting camps and fishing sites; and

WHEREAS, substantial grants of land will be made to the State of Alaska by the United States, subject to State selection:

NOW, THEREFORE, be it Resolved by the Alaska Constitutional Convention that the first Alaska State Legislature is hereby urged that the State in its initial selection of lands make provision to correct such inequities and to remove these uncertainties regarding Native home, hunting camp and fishing sites, by granting to qualified claimants title to them.

This resolution shall not prejudice or bear upon pending "aboriginal claims" matters.

The proper Federal agencies are urged, pending statehood, to hasten the issuance of patents in all proper cases to native land claimants and otherwise to adjudicate native land claims.

RESOLUTION NO. 12

ARRANGEMENTS FOR HEARINGS DURING RECESS

RESOLVED: That hearings shall be held at Ketchikan, Juneau, Anchorage, Fairbanks, Wrangell, Petersburg, Sitka, Haines, Klawock, Nome, Unalakleet, Kodiak, Cordova, Seward, Homer, Palmer, Dillingham, Valdez and Nenana.

Hearings may be held by delegates from nereby communities at such places as Craig, Kotzebue, Maknek, Kenai, Seldovia, Douglas, Talkeetna and Skagway without expense or prior notice to the Convention.

All hearings shall be open to discussion of any matter under consideration by the Alaska Constitutional Convention.

Committees to conduct the hearings will be as follows:

Ketchikan	- Mr. Smith
Wrangell	- Mr. Nolan
Petersburg	- Mr. Lee
Sitka	- Mr. Knight
Juneau	- Mr. Armstrong, Mr. Gray, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Sundborg, Mrs. Sweeney and Mr. VanderLeest
Haines	- Mr. King and Mr. Riley
Nenana	- Mr. Coghill
Klawock	- Mr. Peratrovich
Nome	- Mrs. Hermann
Unalakleet	- Mr. Londborg
Anchorage	- Miss Awes, Mr. Buckalew, Mrs. Helen Fischer, Mr. Victor Fischer, Mr.

- Hellenthal, Mr. Marston, Mr. McCutcheon, Mr. Poulsen, Mr. V. Rivers and Mr. White.

Palmer - Mr. Hurley
Homer - Mr. Kilcher
Seward - Mr. Metcalf
Kodiak - Mr. Hinckel
Cordova - Mr. Rosswog
Dillingham - Mr. Emberg
Valdez - Mr. Egan and Mr. Harris
Fairbanks - Mr. Boswell, Mr. Collins, Mr. Cooper, Mr. Doogan, Mr. Hilscher, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Laws, Mr. McLaughlin, Mr. McNealy, Mr. McNees, Mr. Nerland, Mr. Reader, Mr. R. Rivers, Mr. Taylor, Mrs. Wien.

Committees of two or more members shall elect their own chairman and secretary and shall operate by majority vote.

The tentative dates, times and places of all committee hearings shall be announced to the Convention, if possible, not later than December 19. Each committee shall make certain that at least one of its members is present at the time specified.

No expense to the Convention shall be incurred by any committee.

A brief report, listing witnesses heard and subjects covered shall be submitted to the Convention by each committee not later than January 6.

Constitutional Convention
Convention/10/a
December 8, 1955

R E S O L U T I O N No. 10

CONVENTION RECESS

Introduced by Committee on Administration

WHEREAS, the Act providing for this Constitutional Convention permits the Convention to recess for a period of not to exceed fifteen days for the purpose of holding public hearings in Alaska;

WHEREAS, all substantive committees of the Convention plan to recommend articles for inclusion in the Constitution prior to December 19;

WHEREAS, the holding of public hearings by as many delegates as practicable in communities throughout Alaska after December 19 will permit delegates to gain valuable insights into public reaction to the Committee proposals and to enable them to act more wisely on these proposals prior to their final adoption by the Convention:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That the Convention recess from December ²⁰19, 1955 to January 3, 1956, ^{both dates} inclusive, for the purpose of holding public hearings in Alaska on proposed provisions of the Constitution;
2. That hearings be held by such delegates at such times and places as the Convention shall approve;

As amended. Journal, December 8, 1955

3. That the delegates shall be entitled to reimbursement for their actual travel costs going to and returning from ^{hearings} ~~their~~ *authorized by the Convention and to* homes ~~for the recess and to compensation and~~ per diem for the days involved in such travel.

~~4. That the delegates who participate in public hearings~~ scheduled by the Convention will be entitled to compensation and per diem for the actual days devoted to such hearings, if it is necessary for the delegates to travel from their homes for such periods. Hearings shall not exceed the number of days approved in advance by the Convention. If the site of the hearings is away from their homes, they shall also be entitled to reimbursement for the actual cost of travel going to the hearings ~~and returning to their homes or to the Convention.~~

4. That those delegates whose normal residence is outside the Fairbanks area shall be entitled to per diem for the days of Convention recess spent in the Fairbanks area.

5. That the rate of ~~compensation and~~ per diem shall be ^{that} ~~those~~ established in the Convention Enabling Act.

Referred to the Committee on
Ordinances and Transitional
Measures

RESOLUTION NO. 7

RESOLVED that the Committee on Resolutions and
Recommendations be charged with the responsibility of
making certain that proposals covering the 7 require-
ments of H.R. 2535 are submitted to this Convention.

W. O. Smith
Nov. 30, 1955

Constitutional Convention
I/Rules/7
November 29, 1955

REPORT OF THE RULES COMMITTEE

Rules Committee Substitute for Resolution No. 6

Any person who appears to offer testimony in support of, or in opposition to, any subject matter under consideration by the Constitutional Convention or any of its Committees shall be required to state whether he appears in an individual or a representative capacity. If in a representative capacity, he shall be required to state whom he represents in so appearing.

*Referred to Committee on
Suffrage, Elections, & Apportionment*

November 26, 1955

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RESOLUTION

PERTAINING TO APPORTIONMENT

Introduced by Yule F. Kilcher

RESOLVED: That if the Legislature of the State of Alaska is to be composed of the traditional two houses, the seats of the smaller house be apportioned according to distinctly geographic and economic units and the seats of the larger house be apportioned according to population.

Apportionment

*Referred to Committee
Legislative Branch
November 21, 1955*

~~Constitutional Convention~~

~~November 18, 1955~~

R E S O L U T I O N

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LOCATION OF STATE CAPITAL

Introduced by Chris Poulsen, Anchorage

RESOLVED: That immediately after the State Government becomes in effect, a referendum be held on the following question:

"Shall the Capital of Alaska be located in the City of Juneau, the Matanuska Valley near Palmer, or the Tanana Valley near Fairbanks?"

Referred to Committee on
Legislative Branch
November 21, 1955

R E S O L U T I O N

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"Shall the Capital of Alaska be located in the city of Juneau, the Matanuska Valley near Palmer, or the Tanana Valley near Fairbanks?"

Referred to the Committee
on Resolutions

November 22, 1955

RESOLUTION

Introduced by Yule F. Kilcher

Restoring the original name of Denali to the mountain now called
Mt. McKinley.

Whereas Alaska's mountains command our love and admiration, and
Whereas one mountain more than any other is identified with Alaska,
and,

Whereas the beautiful, ancient name of this mountain is familiar to
all Alaskans

Therefore be it resolved:

That the original name of Denali be restored to Alaska's
most majestic mountain and North America's highest peak,
now called Mt. McKinley.

November 15, 1955

RESOLUTION

SERVICES OF TECHNICAL CONSULTANTS

Whereas the Convention may have need for the services of technical consultants on various subjects during its deliberations; and whereas the Legislature of Alaska anticipated the possible need for such services and included provision therefor in the total appropriation for the Convention;

Now Therefore, Be It Resolved:

1. That the Convention hereby authorize the obtaining of the services of technical consultants upon request for such services being made by a Committee Chairman and approved by the President of the Convention.
2. That the President of the Convention shall have authority to select the consultants after consultation with the Committee Chairmen.
3. That the administrative arrangements for employment of any consultant shall be approved by the Committee on Administration and be executed by the Secretary of the Convention.

November 16, 1955

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATION

Recommended Resolution

Services of Technical Consultants

The Committee on Administration recommends adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas the ^{Constitutional} Convention ^{of Alaska} may have need for the services of technical consultants on various subjects during its deliberations; and

Whereas the Legislature of Alaska anticipated the possible need for such services and included provision therefor in the total appropriation for the Convention:

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2. That the President of the Convention shall have authority to select the consultants after consultation with the Committee Chairmen.
3. That the administrative arrangements for employment of any consultant shall be approved by the Committee on Administration and be executed by the Secretary of the Convention.

As amended and adopted (Journal 11/16/55)

Constitutional Convention
Convention/5

November 16, 1955

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Whereas the Convention on November 14, 1955, referred to this Committee for action the following motion, which was made by R. E. Robertson and seconded by Maurice T. Johnson, namely:

"I move that it is the intent of this convention that the Constitution should be a document of fundamental principles of basic law, and contain only the framework for state government, with all the details to be ordained in the discretion of future legislatures."

Now, upon consideration of said motion,

IT IS RECOMMENDED that it be adopted and enacted by the Convention in the following amended form, viz.:

"I move that it is the intent of this convention that the Constitution should be a document of fundamental principles of basic government, and contain the framework for state government."

Dated November 16, 1955

Signed/ John M. Cross

Chairman

November 10, 1955

RESOLUTION

Introduced by M. J. Walsh

"WHEREAS the grim hand of death has reached into our midst and suddenly removed from us Senator Howard Lyng, of Nome, duly elected delegate to Alaska Constitutional Convention from the 9th District, Second Judicial Division; and

WHEREAS Senator Lyng rendered distinguished public service to Alaska over the years, both in the House of Representatives and Senate of the Alaska Legislature; and

WHEREAS Senator Lyng was an early and ardent advocate of statehood for Alaska and represented the Territory on one occasion before Congressional committees in Washington, D. C. pleading the cause of statehood; and

WHEREAS in the passing of Senator Lyng, Alaska has lost one of its leading statesmen and this Convention has been deprived of his counsel, wisdom and experience.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the members of Alaska Constitutional Convention in regular meeting assembled at College, Alaska, do hereby extend their profound sympathy to Senator Lyng's sister, Mrs. A. F. Bullard, the only surviving member of his family, whose address is Box 910, Porterville, California, together with a copy of this Resolution, and that this Resolution be made a part of the permanent record of this Convention."

Adopted, November 10, 1955

I hereby offer the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that the Convention expresses a deep sense of loss at the passing of Delegate-elect Howard Lyng of Nome, and extends sincere sympathy to the surviving members of his family.

(By M. J. Walsh, Nome.)