

ANICA Directors Oppose Moses, Fink Resolution

A resolution introduced in the House of Representatives by Tom Fink, R-Anchorage, and Rep. Carl Moses, R-Unalaska, regarding the moving of ANICA offices from Seattle to Alaska drew a response from the organization yesterday.

The resolution cited the proposed the move and urged that it be implemented. The resolution was sent to BIA Commissioner Robert Bennett.

In a statement signed by
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ANICA Opposes . . .

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ANICA President Paul Jones and Vice Presidents Henry Deacon, Sergie Ermelloff, Paul Albert, and Winfred Matuklook, ANICA denied considering any such move.

"Your House Resolution No. 42 together with a letter of inquiry from Senator Stevens, and reply from Commissioner Bennett 'has just come to our attention,'" the statement read.

"While we appreciate your concern in the interest of the ANICA membership, your resolution is not consistant with the facts. We, the Executive Committee of the ANICA Board of Directors, delegated with the decision making powers, reserve the right to make our own decisions based on our known membership needs.

"Contrary to recent rumors, the Board is not considering any action to move our principal office to Alaska."

The statement concluded, "This Board has successfully managed the affairs of this organization for the past twenty years and anticipates continuing to do so in the future."

The statement was addressed to Representatives Fink and Moses and signed by the ANICA Board of Directors.