

poration will benefit primarily by being stockholders of the business enterprise, receiving dividends. Hopefully the business enterprise will make certain that natives are hired in positions of responsibility. The Tyoneks, for example, own a construction company which built a BIA building which is also owned by the Tyoneks. They own a title company in Anchorage; they have a major interest in a utility company in Anchorage. These enterprises in the long term will be of benefit to individual members of the tribe. We hope to use the capital in this fashion. We hope to use the land in this fashion and not as a reservation.

Now, as we are trying to get away from the BIA, frankly, and from the Secretary of the Interior and accomplish a transition into American society. Also we want to preserve for the Indians as well as for the whites the mobility which exists in American society today. We are trying to build in provisions which will prevent us from having our villages "frozen in history."

I have attached certain extracts of statements by natives and others to illustrate.

Educated Alaskan natives have become just as highly mobile as other Americans and they should be permitted to be so and at the same time be permitted to share in their patrimony.

The task force proposal is an attempt to make some changes; it is an attempt to look a hundred years ahead and provide the transition and to provide for as early a transition as possible.

The Alaska Federation of Natives has decided to respond positively by preparing amendments to the administration bill rather than insisting on the task force proposal, S. 2906/H.R. 15049. And with appropriate amendments and future modification of the State law, CSHB 672 (finance), the best and most important features of the task force proposal can be melded with the administration bill to produce a compromise that will be acceptable to the great majority of Alaska's natives.

The draft, which follows, underlines proposed new language and strikes through language to be stricken, in order to facilitate understanding of our proposed amendments..

I might say this is based upon the bill as submitted by the Secretary and not the bill that is before you. There have been some changes made by your staff in the bill before you, some of which I now note may be somewhat substantive and we will submit our comments on these changes, if we are permitted to do so, at a later time.

Mr. Chairman, does the committee desire a quick review of the proposed amendments? If not, that completes the summary of my testimony.

Mr. HALEY. Does that complete your statement?

Mr. JACKSON. Yes, sir, unless you wish a review of the amendments.

Mr. HALEY. Are there any questions?

Mr. ASPINALL. Mr. Chairman, I wish to commend these witnesses from Alaska for the thoroughness of their statements and the positions which they take.

As I understand it, Mr. Notti, what the people of Alaska whom you people represent, desire is some 40 million acres of land, title to all values, surface and subsurface, and an amount of \$500 million. Is that correct?