

Board of Regent Minutes  
October 6, 1936  
Harris Resolution

WHEREAS in the building of the University of Alaska it is the duty of the Board of Regents to make ample provisions for the education of those enrolled as students and,

WHEREAS it is also the duty of its Board of Regents to build the institution so that it can render a full measure of service to all the people of the United States and,

WHEREAS by virtue of its strategic location the University of Alaska if properly equipped will be able to contribute immeasurably to research in anthropology, archaeology, astronomy, atmospheric electricity, aurora, ethnology, formation and testing of soils, geology, geophysics, ionosphere, meteorology, natural history, paleontology, plant photosynthesis, seismology, terrestrial magnetism, and other branches of research, and

WHEREAS the Territory of Alaska is unable to provide funds sufficient to build, equip and maintain a building calculated to be of the greatest service in conducting scientific research as herein outlined but is able to provide heat, water, light, power, janitor service and maintenance of building.

Now, Therefore, Be it resolved that the Board of Regents of the University of Alaska offer to the United States a site on its campus on which to erect a building, or buildings, to accomplish any or all of the aforesaid purpose and agree in the event its offer is accepted to maintain the same as hereinbefore specified to the end that the several departments of the government of the United States in prosecuting research in Alaska shall have the advantages afforded by the laboratories, library and cooperation of the University of Alaska.