JOINT RESOLUTION

To subject the submerged lands under the marginal seas to the provisions of the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act.

Whereas as a result of the per curiam opinion of the Supreme Court of the United States of March 15, 1954, it is clear that the United States acquired in a proprietary as well as sovereign capacity the submerged lands beyond the ordinary low-water mark extending seaward from the coasts of the United States and outside of the inland waters (hereinafter referred to as "the submerged lands under the marginal seas"); and

Whereas section 5 of the Submerged Lands Act provides that there is excepted from the operation of section 3 thereof "all lands acquired by the United States by eminent domain proceedings, purchase, cession, gift, or otherwise in a proprietary capacity", and in consequence of this exception, the provisions of section 3 of that Act are inapplicable to the submerged lands under the marginal seas: Now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA IN CONGRESS ASSEMBLED,

That this joint resolution may be cited as the "Submerged Lands Under the Marginal Seas Act".

SEC. 2. The provisions of the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act are hereby made applicable to the submerged lands under the marginal seas as if such lands were a part of the
Lands Act are hereby made applicable to the submerged lands under the marginal seas as if such lands were a part of the outer Continental Shelf, as defined in such Act, any provision in the Submerged Lands Act to the contrary notwithstanding, and any provisions in the Submerged Lands Act to the contrary are hereby repealed.