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**ALASKA CANADA**

**ANCHORAGE**

**VALDEZ**

**KODIAK**

**YAKUTAT**

**JUNEAU**

**SITKA**

Motor Vessel  
Portland

Imrepld-Schlo

C.C. Bourtwell

Williamsburg

C.C. Woodruth

C.C. Nelson

C.C. Crusade

**Gulf of Alaska**



*The PRINSENDAM, badly listing to port, begins to sink in 9,000 feet of water. Official U.S. Coast Guard photo.*

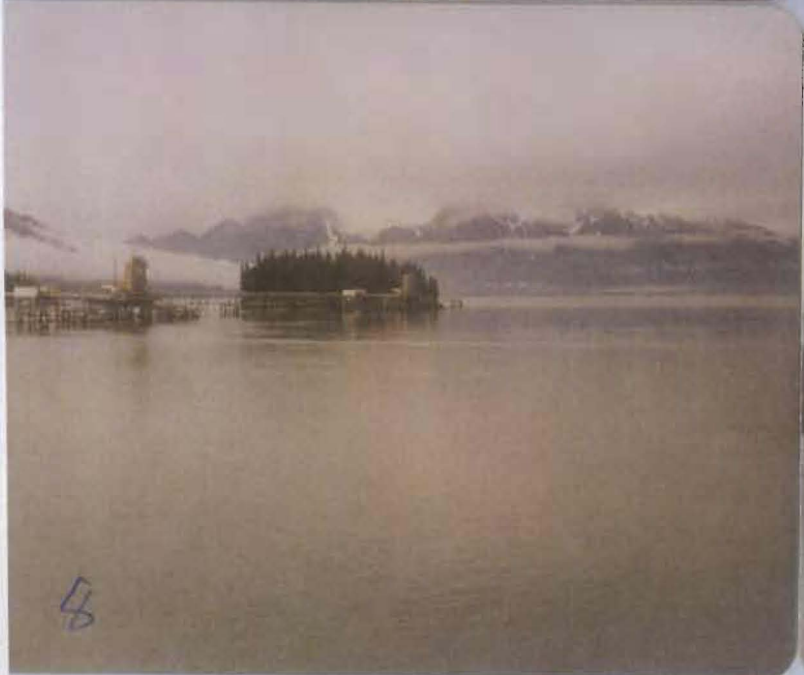


*Coast Guard Cutter BOUTWELL. Official U.S. Coast Guard photo.*

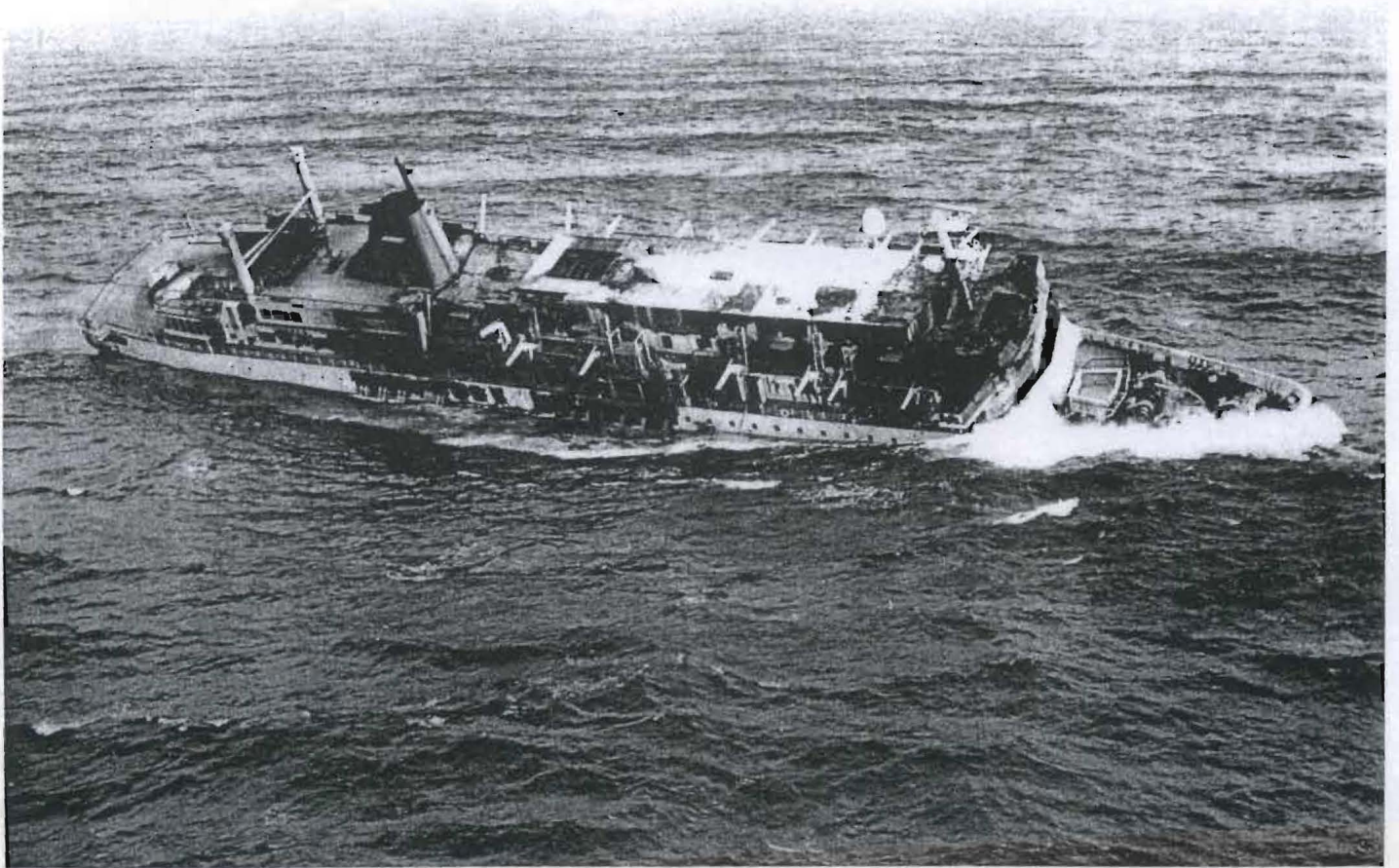


*An H-3 helicopter assisted in the PRINSENDAM rescue. Official U.S. Coast Guard photo.*

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*The PRINSENDAM took just 3 minutes to sink. Official U.S. Coast Guard photo by David Cook.*





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In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety-three

RESOLUTIONS MEMORIALIZING THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES TO ENACT REVISIONS IN THE MARITIME INDUSTRY TO COORDINATE MARITIME POLICY AND IMPLEMENT A MARITIME TECHNOLOGICAL INITIATIVE TO STIMULATE GROWTH AND INVESTMENT THROUGH TECHNOLOGICAL INNOVATION.

WHEREAS, THE DECLARED MARITIME POLICY OF THE UNITED STATES IS CONTAINED IN THE 1936 MERCHANT MARINE ACT, WHICH STATES THAT WE SHALL HAVE A PRIVATELY OWNED AND OPERATED MERCHANT FLEET THAT IS CAPABLE OF CARRYING A SUBSTANTIAL PORTION OF OUR WATERBORNE COMMERCE ON SHIPS BUILT IN UNITED STATES SHIPYARDS, AND CREWED BY UNITED STATES SEAMEN, BUT HAS BEEN AMENDED SO IT IS VIRTUALLY MEANINGLESS TODAY; AND

WHEREAS, THE MARITIME ADMINISTRATION, FEDERAL MARITIME COMMISSION, DEPARTMENTS OF COMMERCE, DEFENSE, ENERGY, INTERIOR, JUSTICE, STATE, TRANSPORTATION, TREASURY AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY IMPACT FEDERAL MARITIME POLICY, WITHOUT COORDINATION AMONG THE AGENCIES, THEREBY RESULTING IN FRAGMENTED MARITIME POLICY; AND

WHEREAS, THE SHIPBUILDING INDUSTRY IN THE UNITED STATES HAS DECLINED AND AMERICAN FLAG OPERATORS ARE FACED WITH UNFAIR COSTS VIS-A-VIS FOREIGN FLAG OPERATORS; AND

WHEREAS, AMERICAN FLAG OPERATORS ARE AT A COMPETITIVE DISADVANTAGE WITH FOREIGN FLAG OF CONVENIENCE OPERATORS WORKING PRIMARILY IN UNITED STATES COMMERCE; AND

WHEREAS, THE MERCHANT FLEET OF THE UNITED STATES HAS DECLINED AND CARRIES LESS THAN FOUR PERCENT OF THE TOTAL WATERBORNE COMMERCE; AND

WHEREAS, THE UNITED STATES FISHING INDUSTRY IS FACED WITH DEPLETED GROUND STOCK AND LACKS A NATIONAL FISHING POLICY PROMOTING FISH FARMING PROGRAMS, HARVESTING OF UNDERUTILIZED SPECIES AND INTERNATIONAL MARKETING IN CONJUNCTION WITH CONSERVATION MEASURES; AND

WHEREAS, UNITED STATES MARINE RESEARCH FACILITIES LACK SUFFICIENT FUNDING TO ASSIST THE UNITED STATES FISHING AND MERCHANT MARINE INDUSTRIES; THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, THAT THE MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL COURT URGES THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES TO ESTABLISH A MERCHANT MARINE AND FISHING POLICY TO FACILITATE SHIP CONSTRUCTION, COMPETITIVENESS IN MARINE COMMERCE, FISH CONSERVATION AND HARVESTING OF UNDERUTILIZED SPECIES, FISHERMAN ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS AS WELL AS MARINE INDUSTRY RESEARCH AND TO INITIATE A MARITIME TECHNOLOGY AS A KEY TO REVIVING THE INDUSTRY AND EMPLOYING AMERICAN CITIZENS; AND BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED, THAT COPIES OF THESE RESOLUTIONS BE FORWARDED BY THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES, THE PRESIDING OFFICER OF EACH BRANCH OF CONGRESS AND TO THE MEMBERS THEREOF FROM THIS COMMONWEALTH.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, ADOPTED, JULY 22, 1993.

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