SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 10

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTIETH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

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A RESOLUTION

1 Supporting continued use of Alaska's renewable furbearer resources.

2 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

3 WHEREAS Alaska's furbearer populations are renewable natural resources; and

4 WHEREAS none of the furbearer species in Alaska are threatened or endangered; and

5 WHEREAS these furbearer populations are professionally managed by the State of6 Alaska: and

7 WHEREAS trapping is an important wildlife management tool that can help maintain
8 healthy furbearer populations; and

9 WHEREAS the diversity of both trapping conditions and furbearing species requires
10 the use of a variety of tools, including snares, foot-hold traps, and body-gripping traps; and

WHEREAS trapping is a traditional activity for many Alaskans; and

WHEREAS the harvest and use of furbearers provides food, income, and clothing formany Alaskans; and

14 WHEREAS trapping is compatible with other activities on public land, including15 national wildlife refuges; and

16 WHEREAS trapping provides social benefits by enhancing self-reliance and
17 maintaining traditional lifestyles;

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BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska State Legislature supports the continued harvest
 and use by humans of Alaska's renewable furbearer resources consistent with the principles
 of sustained yield.