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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 10

Honoring Larry Fanning.

BE IT RESOLVED

BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

WHEREAS Larry Fanning manifested to Alaska readers throughout the state, as editor and publisher of the Anchorage Daily News, a tireless devotion to the social, economic, and cultural well-being of Alaskans everywhere; and

WHEREAS Larry Fanning brought to his role of journalistic leadership the experience and training of a distinguished career in journalism that included service as managing editor of the San Francisco Chronicle, executive editor of the Chicago Sun-Times, and editor of the Chicago Daily News, and represented his profession in a consistently exemplary manner throughout the period of his direction of the Anchorage Daily News; and

WHEREAS Larry Fanning helped to develop journalism as a profession in Alaska by his encouragement of young journalistic talent, his interest in activities of the Anchorage Press Club and the Alaska Press Club, and in the education of Alaska youth; and

WHEREAS, as eloquently stated by His Excellency, William A. Egan, Governor of Alaska, "Larry Fanning was always in the forefront of leadership in all concerns that dealt with human betterment"; and

WHEREAS, because of the personal devotion of Larry Fanning to his community, Anchorage, Alaska has remained one of our nation's few cities to enjoy the good fortune of having two great daily newspapers under separate ownership, thus helping

to assure the vitality of discussion of important public issues, and the presentation of diverse points of view; and

WHEREAS Larry Fanning was no less devoted to Alaska as a whole, and pioneered in giving coverage of news from Alaska's rural areas, and in providing increased understanding by urban readers of the conditions of life in Alaska's villages;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska State Legislature expresses its sincere sorrow at the loss to Alaska of Larry Fanning and conveys the most heartfelt condolences to his wife, Kay, and other members of his family.

COPIES of this Resolution shall be sent to Mrs. Kay Fanning; son, Michael Fanning; and daughter, Judith Hunt.