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Honoring Amos J. Alter on the occasion of his retirement.

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

WHEREAS Amos J. (Joe) Alter is a 33-year veteran of State and Territorial government, an internationally recognized authority on cold weather environmental engineering, and a pioneer of environmental awareness; and

WHEREAS Joe Alter has to his credit an impressive array of achievements including participation in the first paralytic shellfish poisoning research conducted in Alaska, first administrator of the Alaska Water Pollution Control Board, cooperation in enacting the first state water pollution control laws, organization of the first Alaska Science Conference, and service as an Alaska representative to the National Research Council; and

WHEREAS he was chief of environmental programs for the Territorial Department of Health and the State Department of Health and Social Services from 1946 to 1967, a period in which the advances from conventional engineering and environmental management in cold weather regions were necessary for development of workable sewerage systems, solid waste facilities, public buildings and other projects; and

WHEREAS Joe Alter's contributions in this area have garnered him well-deserved recognition as an authority on cold weather environmental engineering and have contributed significantly to development of this field; and

WHEREAS he has unselfishly participated in numerous organizations dedicated to professional improvement, being a charter member and organizer of the Alaska Division of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, Alaska Public Health Association, Alaska Society of Professional Engineers, Alaska Section of

American Society of Civil Engineers, and Alaska Public Works Association;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska State Legislature that the important contributions of Amos J. (Joe) Alter are recognized with gratitude and the Legislature joins with his many friends in Alaska in extending to him best wishes on the occasion of his retirement.

A COPY of this resolution shall be sent to Amos J. Alter.