

# STATE OF ALASKA

## THE LEGISLATURE

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Appointing Richard Dauenhauer Poet Laureate of Alaska.

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

WHEREAS literary expression in the form of poetry is a pursuit which reaches and enriches human beings in all walks of life and circumstances; and

WHEREAS Richard Dauenhauer's literary endeavors include teaching poetry as an Associate Professor of Humanities at Alaska Pacific University, conducting numerous workshops in and around Anchorage, and participating in the poetry in the schools program; and

WHEREAS Richard Dauenhauer has received an individual artist's grant from the Alaska State Council on the Arts and has been honored as Humanist of the Year for 1980 (joint award with Nora Dauenhauer); and

WHEREAS Richard Dauenhauer's books include "Phenologies: Poems 1970 - 1972" (forthcoming in 1981, Thorp Springs Press), "Glacier Bay Concerto" (Alaska Pacific University Press), and "Snow in May: An Anthology of Finnish Writing, 1945 - 1972" (co-editor and co-translator, Associated University Presses); and

WHEREAS Richard Dauenhauer in recent years has published in literary journals over 100 poems and translations of poems from Russian, German, and other languages, including translations from the poetry of the German Rainer Rilke -- "Autumn Day" and "Final Evening"; and

WHEREAS Richard Dauenhauer has advanced Alaskans' knowledge and appreciation of poetry;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska State Legislature that  
Richard Dauenhauer is appointed Poet Laureate of Alaska.