

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 11**

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

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**Introduced: 2/28/03**

**Referred: House Special Committee on Fisheries, Resources**

**A RESOLUTION**

1 **Relating to Alaska Salmon Day.**

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

3 **WHEREAS** the State of Alaska has rebuilt salmon runs from levels during latter  
4 territorial days when fisheries were under federal control; and

5 **WHEREAS** the Alaska salmon fishery today constitutes the largest commercial wild  
6 salmon fishery in the world, employing more than 29,000 people and having a product value  
7 of more than \$272,000,000 in 2001; and

8 **WHEREAS** Alaska salmon shall be managed by maximum sustained yield principles  
9 to ensure future runs, an on-going fishing industry, and employment for Alaskans; and

10 **WHEREAS** Alaska salmon is certified as sustainable by the Marine Stewardship  
11 Council; and

12 **WHEREAS** wild Alaska salmon and its habitats are protected to maintain resource  
13 productivity; and

14 **WHEREAS** Alaska salmon is recognized as a healthy, nutritious food resource rich in  
15 Omega 3 oils and other vital nutrients; and

16 **WHEREAS** the Alaska salmon fishery supports community economies throughout

1 Alaska;

2 **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Alaska State Legislature designates July 2, 2003, as  
3 Alaska Salmon Day and calls on the people of Alaska to observe the day by participating in  
4 activities focusing around the catching and eating of salmon.

5 **COPIES** of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Frank Murkowski,  
6 Governor; Ray Riutta, Executive Director, Alaska Seafood Marketing Institute; and to the  
7 Honorable Ted Stevens and the Honorable Lisa Murkowski, U.S. Senators, and the Honorable  
8 Don Young, U.S. Representative, members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.