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CS FOR HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 11(FSH) am

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY THE HOUSE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON FISHERIES

Amended: 4/4/03

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Sponsor(s): REPRESENTATIVES WOLF, Foster, Coghill, Meyer, Lynn, Fate, Samuels, Heinze, Chenault, McGuire, Ogg, Harris, Dahlstrom, Wilson

SENATORS Lincoln, Dyson, Gary Stevens, Wagoner, Elton, Ellis, Taylor, Ben Stevens, Cowdery, Bunde, Wilken, Olson

A RESOLUTION

1 **Relating to Alaska Wild Salmon Week, June 30 - July 4, 2003.**

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

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

11 **WHEREAS** Alaska wild salmon is certified as sustainable by the Marine Stewardship
12 Council and the Alaska Department of Fish and Game; and

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

15 **WHEREAS** the individual harvesting of Alaska wild salmon is an important Alaskan
16 tradition with immeasurable economic and personal benefits for hundreds of thousands of

1 Alaskans; and

2 **WHEREAS** Alaska wild salmon have historically provided sustenance for
3 generations in our state through traditional subsistence and personal use harvest; and

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

6 **WHEREAS** the Alaska wild salmon fishery supports community economies
7 throughout Alaska;

8 **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Alaska State Legislature designates the week of
9 June 30 - July 4, 2003, as Alaska Wild Salmon Week, and calls on the people of Alaska to
10 observe the week by participating in activities focusing around the catching and eating of
11 salmon.

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