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CS FOR SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 9(STA)

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY THE SENATE STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Offered: 3/12/03

Referred: Rules

Sponsor(s): SENATORS BUNDE, Wilken, Cowdery, Dyson, Ellis, Elton, French, Green, Guess, Hoffman, Lincoln, Olson, Seekins, Ben Stevens, Gary Stevens, Taylor, Therriault, Wagoner

REPRESENTATIVES Lynn, Wilson, Gruenberg, Cissna, Berkowitz, Heinze, Masek, Harris, Stoltze, Rokeberg, Meyer

A RESOLUTION

1 **Expressing confidence in and support for all members of the military, their families, and**
 2 **employers of members of the National Guard.**

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

4 **WHEREAS** many members of the Alaska National Guard and many Alaskans serving
 5 in our active forces have been assigned to duty overseas to assist people in countries around
 6 the world, end the threat of terrorism, prepare for the very real threat of war, and to deal with
 7 threats against our nation; and

8 **WHEREAS** members of the Alaska National Guard, their families, their employers,
 9 and active duty members of the military make tremendous sacrifices every day in their service
 10 to our country and to our state; and

11 **WHEREAS** the members of the Alaska National Guard and active duty members of
 12 the military are well trained, well led, and committed to protecting and serving the citizens of
 13 the United States and their interests abroad; and

14 **WHEREAS** members of the Alaska National Guard, active duty members of the
 15 military, and their families make important contributions to the State of Alaska while they are
 16 stationed here; and

1 **WHEREAS** the security of our nation, our state, and our citizens depends on the
2 willingness of these brave men and women to put themselves in harm's way;

3 **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Alaska State Legislature recognizes the commitment of
4 the members of the Alaska Army National Guard, the Alaska Air National Guard, and active
5 duty members of the military, and expresses its support for these gallant defenders of
6 freedom; and be it

7 **FURTHER RESOLVED** that the members of the Twenty-Third Alaska State
8 Legislature express their gratitude for the sacrifices of the families and, in the case of the
9 National Guard, the civilian employers of our men and women in uniform; and be it

10 **FURTHER RESOLVED** that the members of the Twenty-Third Alaska State
11 Legislature express their sincere hope and trust that all members of the Alaska National Guard
12 and active duty members of the military return safely to their families from wherever they
13 may be assigned.

14 **COPIES** of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable George W. Bush, President
15 of the United States; the Honorable Donald Rumsfeld, United States Secretary of Defense;
16 General Richard B. Myers, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff; General Peter Pace, Vice
17 Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff; General Eric K. Shinseki, Chief of Staff of the Army;
18 Admiral Vern Clark, Chief of Naval Operations; General James L. Jones, Commandant of the
19 Marine Corps; Lieutenant General Carrol H. "Howie" Chandler, Commander, Alaskan
20 Command; Brigadier General Craig Campbell, Adjutant General, Alaska Department of
21 Military and Veterans' Affairs; and to the Honorable Ted Stevens and the Honorable Lisa
22 Murkowski, U.S. Senators, and the Honorable Don Young, U.S. Representative, members of
23 the Alaska delegation in Congress.