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**CS FOR HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 22(RLS)**

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY THE HOUSE RULES COMMITTEE

Offered: 5/8/07

Referred: Today's Calendar

Sponsor(s): REPRESENTATIVES FAIRCLOUGH, Harris, Samuels, Holmes, Johnson, Gara, Chenault, Dahlstrom, Lynn, Kelly, Buch, Wilson, Doll, Olson, Neuman, Doogan, Gardner, Meyer

SENATORS Elton, McGuire

**A RESOLUTION**

1 **Denouncing the National Entertainment Collectibles Association's production of the**  
2 **Rapist No. 1 collectible doll.**

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

4 **WHEREAS** Alaska has the highest per capita occurrence of sexual assault in the  
5 nation; and

6 **WHEREAS**, in 27 of the last 27 years, Alaska has ranked among the top five states in  
7 the nation for rape and sexual assault; and

8 **WHEREAS** the incidence of rape in Alaska is 25 times the national average; and

9 **WHEREAS** every two and a half minutes someone is sexually assaulted in the United  
10 States; and

11 **WHEREAS** one out of six women and one out of 33 men in the United States have  
12 been sexually assaulted; and

13 **WHEREAS**, in the years 2004 and 2005, an annual average of 200,780 people were  
14 the victims of rape, attempted rape, or sexual assault nationwide; and

15 **WHEREAS**, according to the Rape, Abuse and Incest National Network, more than  
16 half of all rapes go unreported; and

1           **WHEREAS** April 2007 is Sexual Assault Awareness Month in Alaska; and

2           **WHEREAS** the National Entertainment Collectibles Association is producing a  
3 collectible doll modeled on a character called "Rapist No. 1" from the recent film  
4 "Grindhouse";

5           **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Alaska State Legislature emphatically deplores the  
6 manufacture and sale of the Rapist No. 1 collectible doll; and be it

7           **FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Alaska State Legislature denounces the National  
8 Entertainment Collectibles Association's casual disregard for the most personal of violations;  
9 and be it

10          **FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Alaska State Legislature urges all Alaska  
11 businesses and consumers to boycott the sale and purchase of these collectible dolls; and be it

12          **FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Alaska State Legislature urges all Alaskans to both  
13 recognize the severe consequences of rape and the glorification of the crime of rape that this  
14 doll represents.

15          **COPIES** of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Carlos Gutierrez, United  
16 States Secretary of Commerce; the Honorable Sean Parnell, Lieutenant Governor of Alaska;  
17 Joel Weinshanker, Chief Executive Officer, National Entertainment Collectibles Association;  
18 Jeffrey P. Bezos, Chief Executive Officer, Amazon.com; H. Lee Scott, Jr., Chief Executive  
19 Officer, WalMart; Gerald L. Storch, Chief Executive Officer, Toys "R" Us, Inc.; Daniel  
20 Grossman, Chair, Toy Industry Association, Inc.; Tracy Mullin, Chief Executive Officer,  
21 National Retail Federation; and 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.