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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 22

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

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FOURTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

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Relating to the world's first

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circumpolar flight in a single-

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engine aircraft by Captain Sam

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Grotte.

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

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WHEREAS Captain Sam Grotte, USAF, who is stationed in Alaska,

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will attempt the world's first circumpolar flight in a single-

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engine aircraft at the end of this year; and

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WHEREAS during the course of his flight, Captain Grotte will

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land at various locations on seven continents and will terminate

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the flight in Anchorage next December or January; and

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WHEREAS Captain Grotte has graciously offered to publicize

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Alaska's Centennial celebration at each stop during his circumpolar

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flight with a presentation, including a short movie, and to permit

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his terminal stop in Anchorage to be used as the official opening

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of Alaska's Centennial celebration; and

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WHEREAS Captain Grotte's flight in which he will attempt to

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establish 50 world aviation records, will serve to dramatize the

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importance which air transportation has played, and will continue

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to play, in the growth of Alaska and will be a very appropriate

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gesture with which to commence the 100th birthday of the state

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which is known as the "air crossroads of the world"; and

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WHEREAS Captain Grotte's selfless offer to publicize Alaska's

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Centennial during his flight will enable people of many nations to

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learn about our state and our celebration; and

1 WHEREAS Captain Grotte's ability and experience will insure
2 that this historic flight will be executed in finest traditions of
3 professional airmanship;

4 BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of the State of Alaska
5 heartily commends Captain Grotte for the important and heroic
6 flight which he will undertake, expresses its sincere gratitude to
7 him for his fine and generous gesture to help the people of Alaska
8 make known to the world our pride in celebrating our centennial
9 year, and wishes him every success in his mission.

10 COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable
11 William A. Egan, Governor of Alaska; the Honorable Dr. Harold
12 Brown, Secretary of the Air Force; Lt. General Raymond J. Reeves,
13 USAF, Commander-in-chief, Alaska; Major General James C. Jensen,
14 USAF, Commander, Alaskan Air Command; and to the members of the
15 Alaska Centennial Commission.

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