

1 IN THE SENATE

BY SENATOR PETER
BY REQUEST

2 SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 21

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 FOURTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Relating to the poet laureate.

6 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CON-
7 CURRING:

8 WHEREAS poetry is the highest form of literary expression
9 and an important human endeavor; and

10 WHEREAS the Legislature of the State of Alaska desires to
11 further the writing of poetry in the state; and

12 WHEREAS Reverend Oliver Everette of Fairbanks is the author
13 of several books of verse, including the widely read "Under a
14 Juniper Tree"; and

15 WHEREAS Reverend Everette is a former editor of the poetry
16 journal "Pen, Heart and Cross"; and

17 WHEREAS his poetry has been praised highly by such authori-
18 ties as the late Pulitzer Prize winning poet, Theodore Roethke;
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20 WHEREAS Oliver Everette's appointment as poet laureate, to
21 succeed Mrs. Margaret Mielke of Anchorage, is supported by the
22 Poetry Society of Alaska, Inc., and by its two counselors, Dr.
23 Arthur R. Wills of the University of Alaska and Dr. Robert Charles
24 of Alaska Methodist University;

25 BE IT RESOLVED that the Reverend Oliver Everette is ap-
26 pointed poet laureate of the State of Alaska.

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