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1 IN THE SENATE

BY THE RULES COMMITTEE

2 SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 28

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 FIFTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Designating March 30, 1967 as a day
6 of special significance for the
7 Sitka area.

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

9 WHEREAS Sitka has been declared the site to exhibit the historical
10 aspects of the purchase of Alaska from Russia in 1867 by the State Centennial
11 Commission; and

12 WHEREAS through the efforts of the Alaska Congressional delegation
13 there has been constructed a Centennial-Civic Center Building for the pur-
14 pose of properly displaying the exhibits and pageantry relating to this
15 historic occasion of portraying the century of ownership of Alaska by the
16 United States of America; and

17 WHEREAS the United States Post Office Department will issue a stamp
18 commemorating the 100th year of ownership by the United States of America
19 in Sitka on March 30, 1967; and

20 WHEREAS the State of Alaska has previously declared March 30 to be
21 a statewide holiday, known as Seward's Day or commonly celebrated as
22 Treaty Signing Day; and

23 WHEREAS through the cooperation of the Economic Development Administra-
24 tion and the State of Alaska with the City of Sitka, the Sitka Centennial-
25 Civic Center Building is completed and ready for the Centennial Celebration
26 with many of the exhibits ready for installation; and

27 WHEREAS it is only fitting and proper that a formal dedication of the
28 Centennial-Civic Center Building should open the Sitka area program to
29 commemorate the century of United States ownership of Alaska;

1 BE IT RESOLVED that the Fifth Legislature hereby designates March 30,
2 1967 as a day of special significance for the Sitka area and expresses its
3 hope that that day will be celebrated by suitable festive activities to
4 initiate the Centennial Celebration that will continue in the City of Sitka
5 during the balance of the year with the closing celebration to be held in
6 Sitka on October 18, 1967, Alaska Day.

7 COPIES of this Resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Vernon Forbes,
8 Chairman of the Alaska State Centennial Commission; the Honorable William A.
9 Egan; the Honorable Ralph J. Rivers; the Honorable E.L. Bartlett and the
10 Honorable Ernest Gruening, U.S. Senators and the Honorable Howard W. Pollock,
11 U.S. Representative, members of the Alaska delegation in Congress; and to
12 any other dignitary who has played a helpful part in making the Sitka
13 Centennial effort possible.