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1 IN THE SENATE

BY HENSLEY

2 SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 34

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SEVENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Relating to the implementation of
6 a reindeer husbandry course at the
7 University of Alaska.

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

9 WHEREAS, despite the progress and expansion of the reindeer industry,
10 there remains among those persons who are or who could become participants
11 in the industry a lack of knowledge and training regarding many of its
12 facets including husbandry, range management, herd management, butchering,
13 merchandising and marketing; and

14 WHEREAS the University of Alaska has already engaged in some experi-
15 mentation and research on reindeer; and

16 WHEREAS reindeer are valued commercially for their hides and antlers,
17 with the marketing of reindeer meat products growing as a profitable
18 enterprise for Northwest Alaska Natives; and

19 WHEREAS it is becoming of increasing importance that those persons
20 engaged in the reindeer industry be trained in reindeer husbandry, especially
21 those young Alaskans who will become the herders in future years;

22 BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska Legislature urges the Board of Regents
23 and the staff of the University of Alaska to begin immediate preparation
24 for the implementation of a one-year reindeer husbandry program designed
25 especially for the young Alaskan from reindeer country, the program to
26 include both academic and actual field training.

27 COPIES of this Resolution shall be sent to Dr. William R. Wood,
28 President of the University of Alaska, and to all members of the University
29 of Alaska Board of Regents.