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1 IN THE SENATE

BY THE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 42

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

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SEVENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

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Relating to a "State of the Judiciary"

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message to the Legislature.

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

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WHEREAS, although the Judicial branch of government is an equal branch

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of our government, along with the Executive and Legislative branches, many

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legislators, as well as members of the public feel that a communications gap

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exists concerning the operation of the Judiciary; and

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WHEREAS all legislators should have and would welcome the opportunity

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to be addressed by a representative of the Judicial branch of government;

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WHEREAS such a presentation concerning the state of the Judiciary would

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be beneficial to both the Judicial and Legislative branches of government,

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as well as give the Legislature an in-depth view of the successes, problems,

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and goals of the Judiciary; and

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WHEREAS the Honorable Warren E. Burger, Chief Justice of the United

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States Supreme Court, has recommended that an excellent manner in which to

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strengthen the cooperation and understanding between the Legislative and

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Judicial branches of government would be to implement, on an annual basis,

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a "State of the Judiciary" address to the state legislatures by the chief

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justice of each state's highest court;

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BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska Legislature that the Chief Justice of the

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Alaska Supreme Court is cordially invited to address a joint session of the

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legislature at a time to be determined by the leadership of both houses;

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and be it

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FURTHER RESOLVED that it is the intent of the Legislature to make the

1 "State of the Judiciary" address an annual occurrence, the first "State of
2 the Judiciary" presentation to be made to the Seventh Legislature, Second
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