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1 IN THE SENATE

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2 SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 7

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SEVENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Commending the 1st Scout Battalion  
6 of the Alaska National Guard.

7 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE:

8 WHEREAS the scout battalions of the Alaska National Guard continue to  
9 be the nucleus of our armed forces in Alaska; and

10 WHEREAS countless heroic rescue missions have been performed by these  
11 units, many without acknowledgment and notice by the general public; and

12 WHEREAS, on the 23rd of December 1970, one Nate Olemaun, a veteran of  
13 World War II and the Korean War, became storm bound and was lost on the  
14 North Slope; and

15 WHEREAS upon receiving a report that this man was overdue, Company D  
16 and Company E of the 1st Scout Battalion from Barrow and Wainwright respec-  
17 tively launched what proved to be the longest search on record and which  
18 entailed many sacrifices and hardships for themselves and their families;  
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20 WHEREAS on or about the 20th of January the body of Mr. Olemaun was  
21 found under four feet of snow approximately 70 miles from Barrow;

22 BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska State Senate commends the men of the  
23 Alaska National Guard and all others involved for their valor and persever-  
24 ance, in the face of great odds, in short: for another job well done.

25 COPIES of this Resolution shall be sent to the Honorable William A.  
26 Egan, Governor of Alaska and Commander in Chief of the Alaska National  
27 Guard; Major General William S. Elmore, Adjutant General, Alaska National  
28 Guard; Major John W. Schaeffer, Battalion Commander of the 1st Scout  
29 Battalion; and to the Honorable Ted Stevens and the Honorable Mike Gravel,

1 U. S. Senators, and the Honorable Nick Begich, U. S. Representative, members  
2 of the Alaska delegation in Congress.

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