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1 IN THE SENATE

BY THE RULES COMMITTEE  
BY REQUEST

2 SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 4

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SEVENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 Honoring Sherman W. Powell.

6 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE:

7 WHEREAS Sherman W. Powell, well-known Alaskan homesteader and engineer  
8 from Talkeetna, has recently passed away; and

9 WHEREAS Sherman Powell was a renowned bridge builder and will leave his  
10 mark on Alaska for generations to come; and

11 WHEREAS he was known throughout Canada and Alaska for his work as project  
12 engineer for many of the bridges on the Canadian portion of the Alaska High-  
13 way; and

14 WHEREAS, although he retired once, he recently answered the call for  
15 assistance from the state and at the time of his death was returning to  
16 Alaska to continue the supervision of the bridges in the Valdez district,  
17 and prior to this time was project engineer on bridges on the new Anchorage-  
18 Fairbanks highway, including the 1,050 foot span across the Chulitna River;  
19 and

20 WHEREAS, in addition to the many physical structures he left as his  
21 legacy to Alaska and Alaskans, he built the Talkeetna Motel and Restaurant  
22 which has become world famous for its gourmet cooking and Alaskan hospitality;

23 BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska State Senate that it expresses its most  
24 sincere grief at the passing of this exemplary Alaskan and extends its  
25 heartfelt condolences to the family of Sherman W. Powell.

26 COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to Alice Powell, his wife; to  
27 Bill Powell, his son; to John, Bill and Nathan Powell, his grandsons; and  
28 to Oscar Powell, his brother.  
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