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1 IN THE HOUSE

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2 HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO.22

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 EIGHTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Relating to the Iditarod Trail

6 International Championship Sled Dog
7 Race.

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

9 WHEREAS the Iditarod Trail was one of the most famous of the gold rush
10 winter trails leading into the mining rich regions of the Nome area and the
11 great Alaska Northwest; and

12 WHEREAS the sled dog and his contribution to the early days of Alaska
13 history is well known and has been told and retold; and

14 WHEREAS sled dog racing has become a classic Alaskan sport symbolic of
15 Alaska's colorful past; and

16 WHEREAS the Iditarod Trail International Championship Sled Dog Race is
17 commemorative of Alaska's history and the role of the sled dog; and

18 WHEREAS this trail will follow the old historic trail between Anchorage,
19 Nulato, Unalakleet, and Nome, a distance of 1,000 miles; and

20 WHEREAS this will be the longest, most difficult, and is destined to
21 become the most famous sled dog race in the entire world; and

22 WHEREAS the proposed race will bring national and international atten-
23 tion to Alaska, to the sport of sled dog racing, to Alaska tourism, and will
24 bring participants and teams to Alaska from all parts of the United States
25 and Canada;

26 BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska Legislature commends the development of
27 this annual race, urges both private and public participation in making this
28 great race successful, and by passage of this Resolution formally declares the
29 race officially the Iditarod Trail International Championship Sled Dog Race.