

1 IN THE HOUSE

BY ELIASON

2 HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 58

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 EIGHTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Relating to Mud Bay located on

6 Chichagof Island.

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

8 WHEREAS there are at least 10 different locales in the state known  
9 commonly as Mud Bay, including one on the north end of Chichagof Island; and

10 WHEREAS not only is the duplication of names confusing but it causes a  
11 loss to the differing locales so named of a certain amount of individual  
12 identity; and

13 WHEREAS there does not appear to be any reasonable rationale as to why  
14 several different places in the state should be known as Mud Bay; and

15 WHEREAS on October 18, 1961 three prominent citizens of Sitka, Alaska  
16 (Ben Rigling, Lennie Peterson and Stanley Westover) lost their lives in a  
17 boating accident at Mud Bay; and

18 WHEREAS it would be fitting and proper that these men, who for years  
19 had served their community and people in various capacities, be honored by  
20 having Mud Bay on the north end of Chichagof Island renamed in their memory;

21 BE IT RESOLVED by the Legislature that the Governor is respectfully  
22 requested to direct the State Geographic Board to rename the Mud Bay located  
23 on the north end of Chichagof Island to Benlenstan Bay.

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