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1 IN THE HOUSE

2 HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 32

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 EIGHTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 Congratulating Elaine Ramos.

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

7 WHEREAS Mrs. Elaine Ramos of Sitka has been chosen "Outstanding American
8 Indian of the Year" by the national Indian Council Fire organization; and

9 WHEREAS, a native of Yakutat, after receiving her education both at
10 Sheldon Jackson High School and at the College, she was trained as a nurse,
11 becoming the first Tlingit Indian to serve as a nurse in Alaska; and

12 WHEREAS she later returned to Sheldon Jackson College to pioneer in the
13 development of instructional materials for use in teaching the Tlingit
14 language; the Tlingit-Haida language workshop at that school, which Elaine
15 Ramos organized, revived interest in Haida as a spoken language and in
16 written Tlingit; and

17 WHEREAS, more recently, she became Vice-President of Sheldon Jackson
18 for Institutional Development, and serves on the program agency of the United
19 Presbyterian Church of the U.S.A.; and

20 WHEREAS, because of her skill as a linguist and as an educational admin-
21 istrator, she is serving this year as administrative director of the Univer-
22 sity of Alaska's new Alaska Native Language Center on the Fairbanks campus;

23 BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska State Legislature takes note of the
24 significant contribution Elaine Ramos has made to her native state as a
25 devoted nurse, respected churchwoman, noted linguist and innovative educator
26 and that she is, indeed, a distinguished Alaskan in whom all of us take
27 particular pride in congratulating as "Outstanding American Indian of the
28 Year."

29 A COPY of this resolution shall be sent to Mrs. Elaine Ramos.