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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 28

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

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NINTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

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Relating to the traditional and historical

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fishing rights of the residents of the

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Bristol Bay watershed.

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

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WHEREAS eighty per cent of the residents living in the Bristol Bay

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watershed area are dependent on fisheries as their major source of income; and

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WHEREAS twelve villages in the Bristol Bay watershed area are one hundred

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per cent dependent on fisheries as their major source of income by tradition;

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WHEREAS seventy-five per cent of the Bristol Bay watershed residents

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were born and raised in the area and never leave that area; and

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WHEREAS the Bristol Bay watershed area has been declared an economic

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disaster area by the Governor of the state and the President of the United

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States; and

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WHEREAS traditionally residents of the Bristol Bay watershed area begin

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fishing at the age of five years, and continue throughout their life; and

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WHEREAS there is basically no other economical income other than

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fisheries in the Bristol Bay watershed area;

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BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska State Legislature that the Governor is

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respectfully requested to direct the Commercial Fisheries Entry Commission to

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issue the maximum allowable number of entry permits to proven long-time

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residents of the Bristol Bay watershed area.

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