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1 IN THE HOUSE

BY THE RULES COMMITTEE

2 SENATE CS FOR HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 73

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 TENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Honoring the memory of Emery F. Tobin.

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

7 WHEREAS Emery F. Tobin, Founder of the ALASKA SPORTSMAN magazine, church
8 and civic leader, and long-time Ketchikan resident, is dead at the age of 81;
9 and

10 WHEREAS Mr. Tobin, a native of Quincy, Massachusetts, worked as a
11 reporter in Quincy and in Ketchikan before forming a corporation to start the
12 ALASKA SPORTSMAN magazine in 1935 at Ketchikan; and

13 WHEREAS by the time Mr. Tobin sold the magazine, renamed the ALASKA
14 MAGAZINE in 1958, it had attained a circulation of 100,000 subscribers and
15 brilliantly portrayed life "on the last frontier" of Alaska; and

16 WHEREAS in the years since, the magazine Mr. Tobin founded has continued
17 to develop and is a fine memorial to Mr. Tobin's life; and

18 WHEREAS in later years Emery and Clara Tobin operated a bookstore and
19 gift shop in Ketchikan until moving to Vancouver, Washington, where he re-
20 tired 10 years ago; and

21 WHEREAS in addition to his other activities, Mr. Tobin helped make the
22 world aware of the lore of Alaska through his contribution of 84 items to
23 "Ripley's Believe It or Not" column;

24 BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska State Legislature that it pauses in its
25 deliberations to recognize the contributions of Emery F. Tobin to Alaska and
26 extends its sincerest condolences to his wife, Clara Tobin; his daughter,
27 Doris Bordine; his grandchildren, Carol, Norman, and Janet; and his sister,
28 Florence Thorton on the occasion of their loss.

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