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COMMITTEE

1 IN THE HOUSE

2 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 25

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Relating to the establishment and  
6 recognition of Children's Day in  
7 Alaska.

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

9 WHEREAS children are Alaska's most important resource; and

10 WHEREAS the children of today will become the adults of tomorrow; and

11 WHEREAS 1979 marks the United Nations - sponsored International Year of  
12 the Child; and

13 WHEREAS the educational, emotional, physical, cultural, financial, and  
14 recreational needs of our children are many and varied; and

15 WHEREAS children should be recognized for their special talents and  
16 perceptions; and

17 WHEREAS the purpose of Children's Day is to focus attention on the unmet  
18 needs of Alaska's children, as well as on their special talents and percep-  
19 tions; and

20 WHEREAS Children's Day is to be a day of concern, commitment, and cele-  
21 bration; and

22 WHEREAS the National Children's Day Committee, headquartered in Juneau,  
23 is campaigning to establish an annual Children's Day to be celebrated  
24 throughout America; and

25 WHEREAS Governor Jay Hammond, in a letter to the National Children's Day  
26 Committee, has endorsed Children's Day for Alaska and has agreed to issue a  
27 state proclamation in early June recognizing Children's Day; and

28 WHEREAS the governors of the states of California, Utah, Illinois,  
29 Maryland, North Carolina, Idaho, Massachusetts, Washington, and Wisconsin

1 have also endorsed Children's Day in their respective states;

2 BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska State Legislature gives the strongest  
3 possible support to the observance of Children's Day in Alaska on the second  
4 Sunday of each June, beginning on Sunday, June 10, 1979; and be it

5 FURTHER RESOLVED that Children's Day be observed in Alaska in subsequent  
6 years every June and that it be marked by educational activities in the  
7 schools, church and synagogue programs, youth services activities, family  
8 outings and gatherings, and by concrete action by all state agencies and  
9 organizations concerned with the welfare of Alaska's children.

10 COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Jimmy Carter,  
11 President of the United States; to the Honorable Ted Stevens and the  
12 Honorable Mike Gravel, U. S. Senators, and the Honorable Don Young, U. S.  
13 Representative, members of the Alaska delegation in Congress; to the  
14 Honorable Jay Hammond, Governor of Alaska; and to all state agencies that  
15 work with or for children.

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