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1 IN THE SENATE

2 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 39

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 Relating to America's small and inde-
6 pendent businesses.

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

8 WHEREAS the small business community in this country is represented by
9 approximately 14,000,000 small and independent businesses; and

10 WHEREAS these 14,000,000 businesses represent 100,000,000 people and 58
11 percent of all the private sector jobs in the country; and

12 WHEREAS 97 percent of all newly created jobs during the past seven years
13 have been created within the small business community; and

14 WHEREAS the small business community represents 48 percent of the coun-
15 try's gross business product; and

16 WHEREAS 50 percent of all new inventions and innovations are developed
17 in the small business community;

18 BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska State Legislature that it supports the
19 fundamental, inalienable, and constitutional rights of the 14,000,000 small
20 and independent businesses in this country to

21 (1) start, own, and manage a business without government inter-
22 ference;

23 (2) compete fairly for capital with the reasonable assurance that
24 capital will be available for private use;

25 (3) reward for the risk, effort, and genius necessary to make an
26 independent business work;

27 (4) determine price just as a buyer has the right to buy or not at
28 that price;

29 (5) be governed by reasonable and understandable laws set forth by

1 elected representatives, not by administrative dictate;

2 (6) be innocent until proven guilty by a jury of peers, not by
3 bureaucratic edict; and

4 (7) equal representation with "Big Business," labor, and govern-
5 ment on matters relating to the country's economic policy.

6 COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Jimmy Carter,
7 President of the United States; the Honorable Philip M. Klutznick, Secretary
8 of Commerce, and to the Honorable Ted Stevens and the Honorable Mike Gravel,
9 U. S. Senators, and the Honorable Don Young, U. S. Representative, members of
10 the Alaska delegation in Congress.

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