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1 IN THE HOUSE

BY METCALFE

2 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 56

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 TWELFTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Relating to the May 13, 1981, attack  
6 on Pope John Paul II.

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

8 WHEREAS Pope John Paul II is the leader of the Roman Catholic Church  
9 and is a man of peace and goodwill; and

10 WHEREAS his travels throughout the world in an attempt to bring peace  
11 and justice to the world have contributed to the betterment of mankind; and

12 WHEREAS many Alaskans have warm memories of this unassuming great man  
13 from his very recent trip to Alaska; and

14 WHEREAS the Pope was shot several times this afternoon while arriving  
15 in St. Peter's Square; and

16 WHEREAS Pope John Paul II is in surgery as a result of the gunshot  
17 wounds; and

18 WHEREAS such an act of violence comes as a shock to the people of  
19 Alaska;

20 BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska State Legislature condemns the senseless  
21 acts of violence which seem so often to injure mankind's most compassionate  
22 and loved leaders; and be it

23 FURTHER RESOLVED that the Alaska State Legislature, on behalf of all  
24 the people of Alaska, hopes and prays for the speedy recovery of Pope John  
25 Paul II.

26 A COPY of this resolution shall be sent to The Most Reverend Pio Laghi,  
27 the Apostolic Delegate, Washington, D.C.