

BY THE LABOR AND
COMMERCE COMMITTEE
BY REQUEST

1 IN THE SENATE

2 SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 46

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 TWELFTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 Relating to Small Business Week.

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

7 WHEREAS President Ronald Reagan has designated May 9 - 15, 1982, as
8 "Small Business Week," the theme for which will be "Small Business: We're
9 Helping Build America"; and

10 WHEREAS small businesses with 20 or fewer employees created 66 percent
11 of all net new jobs in the private sector between 1969 and 1976, 80 percent
12 of the new jobs came from businesses less than five years old, and 87 percent
13 of all net new jobs were created by firms with 500 or less employees; and

14 WHEREAS the impact of small businesses in Alaska and the nation has been
15 great; they have created between 80 and 90 percent of the new civilian employ-
16 ment opportunities, have produced over one-half of all goods and services,
17 and have been responsible for more than 70 percent of innovative product
18 development over the past 10 years; and

19 WHEREAS the employment opportunities and goods and services provided to
20 the people of Alaska and the nation by small businesses is a measure of their
21 indispensability; and

22 WHEREAS small businesses constantly face major competition in the market-
23 place and regulations that require legal and technical resources not readily
24 available to small businesses;

25 BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska State Legislature commends the small busi-
26 nesses of Alaska for their outstanding professional and civic efforts and con-
27 veys sincere best wishes for their continued success in the future; and be it

28 FURTHER RESOLVED that the Alaska State Legislature respectfully requests
29 the Governor to designate May 9 - 15, 1982, as Small Business Week in Alaska.