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1 IN THE SENATE

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2 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 51

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 TWELFTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Requesting the President of the  
6 United States to designate Haines,  
7 Alaska as the official home of the  
8 American bald eagle and the official  
9 city for the celebration of the  
10 bicentennial of the selection of the  
11 bald eagle as the official symbol of  
12 the United States of America.

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

14 WHEREAS Southeast Alaska has the world's largest concentration of  
15 American bald eagles; and

16 WHEREAS each year thousands of bald eagles gather at the Eagle Council  
17 Grounds near Haines, Alaska; and

18 WHEREAS the annual gathering of bald eagles near Haines is a unique  
19 natural phenomenon; and

20 WHEREAS the citizens of Haines, with the cooperation of the state and  
21 federal governments, have taken steps to use and develop the natural re-  
22 sources of the area in order to provide a sustained economic base while at  
23 the same time recognizing the needs of and providing for the continuing  
24 welfare of the indigenous bald eagle population; and

25 WHEREAS 1982 is the 200th anniversary of the selection of the American  
26 bald eagle as the symbol of the United States of America;

27 BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska State Legislature requests the President  
28 to proclaim Haines, Alaska, the official home of the American bald eagle and  
29 designate Haines, Alaska, as the official city for the celebration of the

1 bicentennial of the selection of the American bald eagle as the official  
2 symbol of the United States of America.

3 COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Ronald Reagan,  
4 President of the United States; and to the Honorable Ted Stevens and the  
5 Honorable Frank Murkowski, U.S. Senators, and the Honorable Don Young, U.S.  
6 Representative, members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.

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