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1 IN THE HOUSE

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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 7

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

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FIFTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

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Honoring the 100th Birthday of Ernest

6

Gruening.

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

8 WHEREAS Friday, February 6, 1987, is the 100th birthday of the late

9 Ernest Gruening; and

10 WHEREAS Ernest Gruening was appointed as the territorial Governor of

11 Alaska by President Franklin D. Roosevelt on December 6, 1939, and served

12 in that office until April 10, 1953, during which time he led the effort to

13 bring Alaska forward into the twentieth century; and

14 WHEREAS Ernest Gruening brought Alaska to the attention of the nation

15 and greatly assisted in the achievement of statehood for Alaska in 1959;

16 and

17 WHEREAS Ernest Gruening continued this tradition of distinguished

18 service to Alaska in the United States Senate, from 1959 until 1969, where

19 he was recognized internationally for his actions; and

20 WHEREAS Ernest Gruening continued to deeply care for and work towards

21 the best interests of the state until his death in 1974;

22 BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska State Legislature through this action

23 recognizes and commemorates 1987 as the centennial of Ernest Gruening's

24 birth, and urges all citizens of the state to join in honoring his memory.

25 COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to members of Ernest

26 Gruening's immediate family.