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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 39

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

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FIFTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

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Requesting the U.S. Arctic Research

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Commission to relocate its headquarters

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to Fairbanks.

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

9 WHEREAS the U.S. Arctic Research Commission was established by Con-
10 gress in 1984; and

11 WHEREAS the responsibilities of the commission include developing an
12 arctic research policy, fostering cooperation in arctic research among
13 federal, state, and local organizations, and working with the Governor of
14 Alaska on strengthening arctic research; and

15 WHEREAS the only American state that includes territory within the
16 arctic is Alaska; and

17 WHEREAS, while the commission has established an office in Alaska, its
18 headquarters are established at the University of Southern California in
19 Los Angeles; and

20 WHEREAS the commission is properly concerned about its contact with
21 scientific and engineering communities and with the governor, legislature,
22 and the residents of the state; and

23 WHEREAS the commission has held meetings in the state, has met with
24 the governor and the legislature of the state, and has visited industrial
25 sites in the state, all in an attempt to become more familiar with the
26 problems, needs, and opportunities for arctic research and arctic policy;
27 and

28 WHEREAS the logical solution for the commission in its efforts to
29 become familiar with the arctic is to establish its offices in Alaska at

1 Fairbanks;

2 BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska State Legislature that the U.S. Arctic
3 Research Commission is encouraged to relocate its headquarters offices to
4 Fairbanks.

5 COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to W. Timothy Hushen, Execu-
6 tive Director, U.S. Arctic Research Commission, and to the Honorable Ted
7 Stevens and the Honorable Frank Murkowski, U.S. Senators, and the Honorable
8 Don Young, U.S. Representative, members of the Alaska delegation in Con-
9 gress.