

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 9**  
**IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA**  
**SEVENTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION**

**BY THE HOUSE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND TOURISM**

**Introduced: 2/20/91**

**Referred: House Special Committee on International Trade and Tourism, Labor and Commerce**

**A RESOLUTION**

**1 Supporting a bid by the World Trade Center Alaska/Anchorage to host the 1994 World**  
**2 Trade Centers Association General Assembly and international trade show.**

**3 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:**

**4 WHEREAS** the state's role in the international market is growing dramatically, as demonstrated  
**5** by the fact that the state's exports have nearly tripled in the past four years to reach the current level  
**6** of \$3,500,000,000 for calendar year 1990; and

**7 WHEREAS** the state's location provides it with a unique geographic proximity to markets in  
**8** Asia, Europe, and North America; and

**9 WHEREAS** the state is known as the air crossroads of the northern hemisphere, and Anchorage  
**10** International Airport serves 15 international air carriers; and

**11 WHEREAS** the City of Anchorage is the home of World Trade Center Alaska/Anchorage, which  
**12** provides information, contacts, and programs on international trade to companies and individuals  
**13** throughout the state, and which is a member of the World Trade Centers Association, a worldwide  
**14** network of more than 220 international business organizations and world trade centers; and

**15 WHEREAS** the World Trade Center Alaska/Anchorage is bidding to host the 1994 World Trade  
**16** Centers Association General Assembly and international trade show, which would bring approximately

1 1,000 delegates to the state's largest city, draw international attention to the state, and spread benefits  
2 throughout the state; and

3       **WHEREAS** a delegation of state residents representing business, government, and education will  
4 travel to Hong Kong in April 1991 to formally present the bid of the World Trade Center  
5 Alaska/Anchorage at the spring meeting of the World Trade Centers Association;

6       **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Alaska State Legislature strongly supports the bid by World Trade  
7 Center Alaska/Anchorage to host the 1994 World Trade Centers Association General Assembly and  
8 international trade show, and pledges on behalf of all of the residents of the state to extend to the general  
9 assembly delegates the warm hospitality for which the residents of the state are known.

10       **A COPY** of this resolution shall be sent to John Choon Kim, the executive director of the World  
11 Trade Center Alaska/Anchorage.