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Title: Alaska Garden Week BRU: _____
Component: _____

Sponsor: Rep. Bill Hudson

Requestor: House State Affairs Committee COMPONENT SERIAL NO.

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Expenditures/Revenues: (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY 92	FY 93	FY 94	FY 95	FY 96	FY 97
PERSONAL SERVICES	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
TRAVEL						
CONTRACTUAL						
SUPPLIES						
EQUIPMENT						
LAND & STRUCTURES						
GRANTS, CLAIMS						
MISCELLANEOUS						
TOTAL OPERATING	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-

CAPITAL	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
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REVENUE	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
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FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER						
TOTAL	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-

POSITIONS: N/A

FULL-TIME						
PART-TIME						
TEMPORARY						

Estimate of current year impact: _____

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary.)

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Senator Pat Rodey,
Chair
Senate State Affairs Committee
Alaska State Legislature
Juneau, Alaska

Dear Senator Rodey:

HCR 10, "Declaring June 2 - 8 to be Alaska Garden Week," was referred to the Senate State Affairs Committee on April 17, 1991, after passing the House with no opposition on Monday, April 15.

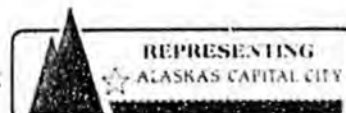
For your convenient reference, I am enclosing a copy of HCR 10, together with a print out of the legislative activity from BASIS. Additionally, I am attaching a copy of the position paper prepared by the University of Alaska Cooperative Extension Service.

HCR 10 seeks to establish the week of June 2 - 8 as Alaska Garden Week. This date coincides with the National Garden Association's garden week.

While this resolution has absolutely no fiscal impact, the gardening efforts in Alaska result in an approximate 20 million dollar business in our state.

Gardening activities instill a heightened awareness of the environment, ground water flow, conservation, pollution control, and nature in general.

While providing beauty and thus enhancing the tourism efforts in Alaska, it also fosters and preserves a spirit of independence and individual initiative, resulting in a greater respect for the care of our neighborhoods and communities, and promotes individual, community and state pride.



Your favorable consideration to schedule this resolution for a hearing in the Senate State Affairs Committee at the earliest possible date will be very much appreciated. If you have questions or need additional information, please call me or my staff, Landa Holtan, at 3744.

Respectfully,


Bill Hudson

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COMMENTS ON HCR#10 ALASKA GARDEN WEEK JUNE 2-8

Alaska's earliest pioneers discovered that our unique Alaska climate was excellent for growing many vegetables and flowers. A heritage of gardening has passed from our pioneers to today's urban and rural residents. Naming the week of June 2-8, Alaska Garden Week is in keeping with that earliest pioneer tradition.

Across the state, millions of dollars will be spent to begin beautifying homes, businesses, towns, and cities. Home gardening is second to stamp collecting as Americans favorite hobby. The greenhouse industry in Alaska is its largest single agricultural sector. The vast majority of the greenhouse business involves the propagation of flowers, trees, shrubs, and vegetables to be planted by home gardeners. Cut flowers and flower baskets for home and office beautification make up another large part of the industry.

Alaskans are proud of their gardens. Cities are justifiably proud of their parks, greenbelts, hanging baskets, flower boxes and barrels. While I support HCR # 10, I would urge this committee create a statute to create a permanent Alaska Garden Week the first week of June each year.

Alaska gardeners are a hardy breed. They are as persevering as those who carved homes and cities out of wilderness. Creating a permanent special week to commemorate these hardy individuals is fitting and appropriate.

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