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Subject: Article:Native Rage and Oppression

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To: Senator\_Gene\_Therriault@Legis.state.ak.us, Joseph\_Balash@Legis.state.ak.us,  
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Dear Senator Therriault and Staff,

I am forwarding an article in hopes give some insight and suggestion with the hate crime legislation and the ad-hoc native representatives.

I hope not to offend you by preaching.

My mother, who is employed as a Seminole Tribal Education Director and is an Alaska Native, sent me the article from the *Indian Country Today* newspaper.

I have shared the article with my colleagues, friends, and fellow ANCSA shareholders. It moved us in many ways and exposed not so kinds things about our native culture.

As an Alaska native caught between the rural and urban divide, many of the writer's thoughts and ideas are true. Maybe one day, the ANCSA "leadership" will stop and take a long hard look within and begin the long hard task to recovery from unbridled hate and anger. I truly believe many non native people are kind and compassionate.

Sincerely,

Juliet Hildreth  
Anchorage Alaska

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**Reservation Trauma Creates Rage and Oppression**

Indian Country Today (March 14, 2001) [www.indiancountry.com](http://www.indiancountry.com))

**by Faith Spotted Eagle**

**Guest Columnist**

A few years back, I barely survived working in a work environment

which had individuals "back stabbing" people, aligning against each other based on rumor and propaganda, overreacting to every crisis and difference of opinion.

There was rampant gossip in every meeting, office and car, and finally, the very survival of the organization was threatened because of the massive energy devoted to internal conflict and lateral violence.

After leaving, I vowed to learn as much about oppression, conflict and peacemaking as possible. Today I assist communities walking "through the fires of oppression and conflict."

These are all examples of behavior exhibited by people who suffered severe trauma and oppression. Because of their emotional injuries they inflicted cruelty and hurt on each other -- lateral violence, "striking out at those closest and nearest to you."

The oppression suffered becomes the model of behavior and the oppressed becomes the "sub-oppressor." When we model our behavior after those who have been cruel to us, we have "internalized oppression." The earliest form is the childhood bully or girls and boys who exhibit violence against each other. We have bullies in tribal leadership and workplaces.

This internalized oppression is the driving force behind the rage and anger surfacing in Indian country. This violence is increasing because of the trauma we suffered as Native people. Unprocessed and not healed, the trauma turns to fear and anger. It manifests itself in the lifestyle surrounding us on the reservation.

In early stages of "internalized oppression," we are angry about the trauma and hurt inflicted. If this anger is not channeled or dealt with, it turns to rage. Look around and become aware of our people who numbed their feelings and walk around with rage be set off by the slightest difference of opinion.

Our children earned this "language of anger" and display it when sad or frustrated, lonely or scared. It's a front to survive and is identified closely in the rap music youth idealize. Rap is a language of anger.

Individuals with severe trauma operate with a sense of fear rather than on information. When we view life from fear, we make decisions based on manipulation rather than solid facts and information. Propaganda and gossip become the tool of the political system and concrete information falls by the wayside.

There is a crisis of rage and trauma in our communities and no government program can fix it. We need to be deprogrammed

from oppressive ways we have learned. We learned to become jealous of anything good that comes to our communities because we fear it. Our lack of self-esteem prevents us from supporting it. We sabotage it until it too fails.

People have lost jobs because of gossip initiated by those who are jealous. In an oppressed society, the envy turns to vicious jealousy fueled by rage and anger. Our communities have become frightening places where we rejoice at failure, as our oppressors did.

Our trauma burden came as a result of institutionalized oppression of boarding schools, racism in schools, molestation and rape in our communities, numerous deaths from accidents and suicide and now job traumas related to political vindictiveness.

Schools are arenas for our children to act out rage. When parents take sides and fuel the fire, they inhibit the ability of their children to problem solve.

Because of the inter generational trauma we suffered, the slightest problem or crisis is cause to overreact dramatically. If we stop and think, we can count the drama kings and queens in our families, always ready to wreak havoc because "the sky is falling."

I long for the great, compassionate leaders like Sitting Bull, Chief Joseph, Chief Ten Bears and others who put their people first when making decisions. Many of our well intentioned leaders step into office vowing to change the system but soon suffer "institutional ego that puts their needs" before the people.

Leaders cannot make change without massive deprogramming of systems from oppressive methodology. In many meeting rooms, we put our rage and anger on our faces for all the people we come across.

We must become the change we seek in our communities. Learn as much as possible about internalized oppression and begin to define and begin healing from your trauma and rage. Internalized oppression is a scholarly pursuit. We have taught it to each other and we must help each other recover from it.

**Editor's note: Faith Spotted Eagle is director of the Brave Heart Women's Society in Marty, S.D., on the Yankton Sioux Reservation.**

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**SENATE CS FOR HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 22(STA)**

**IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA**

**TWENTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION**

**BY THE SENATE STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**

**Offered:  
Referred:**

**Sponsor(s): HOUSE RULES COMMITTEE BY REQUEST OF THE HOUSE**

**A RESOLUTION**

1 **Relating to a diverse community; condemning a recent racially motivated attack; and**  
2 **requesting the Municipality of Anchorage police department to continue their conclusive**  
3 **investigation and requesting the criminal justice system to take rapid action to reach the**  
4 **determination of this case.**

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

6 **WHEREAS** Anchorage is an incredibly diverse community with more than eighteen  
7 identified ethnic groups comprising nearly 30 percent of its population; and

8 **WHEREAS** more than 20 percent of the Alaska Native and Native American  
9 population of the state resides in Anchorage; and

10 **WHEREAS** Anchorage has a responsibility to take a leadership role in eliminating  
11 discrimination and an obligation to help create a climate of tolerance, to build bridges with the  
12 various ethnic groups in the city; and

13 **WHEREAS** the recent incident involving targeting of Alaska Natives for harassment  
14 and violent action by three youthful Anchorage residents armed with paintball guns is  
15 deplorable and reflects badly on every citizen and business of Anchorage and the State of

1 Alaska; and

2       **WHEREAS** federal law 18 U.S.C. 245 makes it illegal to commit a crime when the  
3 assailant is motivated by bias based on race, religion, national origin, or color and the  
4 assailant intended to prevent the victim from exercising a "federally protected right"; and

5       **WHEREAS** Alaska law AS 12.55.155(c)(22) provides as an aggravating factor for  
6 sentencing for a serious crime that "the defendant knowingly directed the conduct constituting  
7 the offense at a victim because of that person's race, sex, color, creed, physical or mental  
8 disability, ancestry, or national origin," and the finding of an aggravating factor allows the  
9 court to increase a presumptive sentence for such an offense up to the maximum sentence for  
10 that offense; and

11       **WHEREAS** the Alaska State Legislature condemns all hate crimes, racism, and  
12 discrimination and calls on the public and the citizens of the state to likewise condemn hate  
13 crimes, racism, and discrimination in any form;

14       **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Alaska State Legislature condemns the recent racially  
15 motivated attack in Anchorage and finds the conduct of those perpetrating this act, or any  
16 similar conduct, to be unacceptable; and be it

17       **FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Alaska State Legislature requests the Municipality  
18 of Anchorage police department to continue its thorough and conclusive investigation of that  
19 attack so as to allow the criminal justice system to take the actions necessary to reach a rapid  
20 determination; and be it

21       **FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Alaska State Legislature is pledged to support fair  
22 and equitable treatment for all who live in, do business in, or visit Alaska; and be it

23       **FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Alaska State Legislature joins with the Alaska  
24 Federation of Natives in their request to the United States Commission on Civil Rights to  
25 conduct a formal investigation into this incident and other incidents of racism and  
26 discrimination in Alaska.

27       **COPIES** of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable John Ashcroft, Attorney  
28 General of the United States; the Honorable Mary Frances Berry, Chair, United States  
29 Commission on Civil Rights; the Honorable George Wuerch, Mayor of Anchorage; the  
30 members of the Anchorage Assembly; Julia Kitka, President, Alaska Federation of Natives;  
31 and to the Honorable Ted Stevens and the Honorable Frank Murkowski, U.S. Senators, and

1 the Honorable Don Young, U.S. Representative, members of the Alaska delegation in  
2 Congress.

## FEDERALLY PROTECTED ACTIVITIES

## Summary:

The portion of Section 245 of Title 18 which is primarily enforced by the Criminal Section makes it unlawful to willfully injure, intimidate or interfere with any person, or to attempt to do so, by force or threat of force, because of that other person's race, color, religion or national origin and because of his/her activity as one of the following:

- A student at or applicant for admission to a public school or public college
- A participant in a benefit, service, privilege, program, facility or activity provided or administered by a state or local government
- An applicant for private or state employment; a private or state employee; a member or applicant for membership in a labor organization or hiring hall; or an applicant for employment through an employment agency, labor organization or hiring hall
- A juror or prospective juror in state court
- A traveler or user of a facility of interstate commerce or common carrier
- A patron of a public accommodation or place of exhibition or entertainment, including hotels, motels, restaurants, lunchrooms, bars, gas stations, theaters, concert halls, sports arenas or stadiums.

This statute also prohibits wilful interference, by force or threat of force, with a person because he/she is or was participating in, or aiding or encouraging other persons to participate in any of the benefits or activities listed above without discrimination as to race, color, religion, or national origin.

The offense is punishable by a range of imprisonment up to a life term, or the death penalty, depending upon the circumstances of the crime, and the resulting injury, if any.

## TITLE 18, U.S.C., SECTION 245

*(a)(1) Nothing in this section shall be construed as indicating an intent on the part of Congress to prevent any State, any possession or Commonwealth of the United States, or the District of Columbia, from exercising jurisdiction over any offense over which it would have jurisdiction in the absence of this section, nor shall anything in this section be construed as depriving State and local law enforcement authorities of responsibility for prosecuting acts that may be violations of this section and that are violations of State and local law. No prosecution of any offense described in this section shall be undertaken by the United States except upon the certification in writing of the Attorney General, the Deputy Attorney General, the Associate Attorney General, or any Assistant Attorney General specially designated by the Attorney General that in his judgment a prosecution by the United States is in the public interest and necessary to secure substantial justice, which function of certification may not be delegated.*

*(2) Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to limit the authority of Federal officers, or a Federal grand jury, to investigate possible violations of this section.*

*(b) Whoever, whether or not acting under color of law, by force or threat of force*

*willfully injures, intimidates or interferes with, or attempts to injure, intimidate or interfere with--*

*(1) any person because he is or has been, or in order to intimidate such person or any other person or any class of persons from--*

*(A) voting or qualifying to vote, qualifying or campaigning as a candidate for elective office, or qualifying or acting as a poll watcher, or any legally authorized election official, in any primary, special, or general election;*

*(B) participating in or enjoying any benefit, service, privilege, program, facility, or activity provided or administered by the United States;*

*(C) applying for or enjoying employment, or any perquisite thereof, by any agency of the United States;*

*(D) serving, or attending upon any court in connection with possible service, as a grand or petit juror in any court of the United States;*

*(E) participating in or enjoying the benefits of any program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance; or*

*(2) any person because of his race, color, religion or national origin and because he is or has been--*

*(A) enrolling in or attending any public school or public college;*

*(B) participating in or enjoying any benefit, service, privilege, program, facility or activity provided or administered by any State or subdivision thereof;*

*(C) applying for or enjoying employment, or any perquisite thereof, by any private employer or any agency of any State or subdivision thereof, or joining or using the services or advantages of any labor organization, hiring hall, or employment agency;*

*(D) serving, or attending upon any court of any State in connection with possible service, as a grand or petit juror,*

*(E) traveling in or using any facility of interstate commerce, or using any vehicle, terminal, or facility of any common carrier by motor, rail, water, or air;*

*(F) enjoying the goods, services, facilities, privileges, advantages, or accommodations of any inn, hotel, motel, or other establishment which provides lodging to transient guests, or of any restaurant, cafeteria, lunchroom, lunch counter, soda fountain, or other facility which serves the public and which is principally engaged in selling food or beverages for consumption on the premises, or of any gasoline station, or of any motion picture house, theater, concert hall, sports arena, stadium, or any other place of exhibition or entertainment which serves the public, or of any other establishment which serves the public and (i) which is located within the premises of any of the aforesaid establishments or within the premises of which is physically located any of the aforesaid establishments, and (ii) which holds itself out as serving patrons of such establishments; or*

*(3) during or incident to a riot or civil disorder, any person engaged in a business in commerce or affecting commerce, including, but not limited to, any person engaged in a business which sells or offers for sale to interstate travelers a substantial portion of the articles, commodities, or services which it sells or where a substantial portion of the articles or commodities which it sells or offers for sale have moved in commerce; or*

*(4) any person because he is or has been, or in order to intimidate such person or any other person or any class of persons from--*

*(A) participating, without discrimination on account of race, color, religion or national origin, in any of the benefits or activities described in subparagraphs (1)(A) through (1)(E) or subparagraphs (2)(A) through (2)(F); or*

*(B) affording another person or class of persons opportunity or protection to so participate; or*

*(5) any citizen because he is or has been, or in order to intimidate such citizen or any other citizen from lawfully aiding or encouraging other persons to participate, without discrimination on account of race, color, religion or national origin, in any of the benefits or activities described in subparagraphs (1)(A) through (1)(E) or subparagraphs (2)(A) through (2)(F), or participating lawfully in speech or peaceful assembly opposing any denial of the opportunity to so participate--*

*shall be fined under this title, or imprisoned not more than one year, or both; and if bodily injury results from the acts committed in violation of this section or if such acts include the use, attempted use, or threatened use of a dangerous weapon, explosives, or fire shall be fined under this title, or imprisoned not more than ten years, or both; and if death results from the acts committed in violation of this section or if such acts include kidnaping or an attempt to kidnap, aggravated sexual abuse or an attempt to commit aggravated sexual abuse, or an attempt to kill, shall be fined under this title or imprisoned for any term of years or for life, or both, or may be sentenced to death. As used in this section, the term "participating lawfully in speech or peaceful assembly" shall not mean the aiding, abetting, or inciting of other persons to riot or to commit any act of physical violence upon any individual or against any real or personal property in furtherance of a riot. Nothing in subparagraph (2)(F) or (4)(A) of this subsection shall apply to the proprietor of any establishment which provides lodging to transient guests, or to any employee acting on behalf of such proprietor, with respect to the enjoyment of the goods, services, facilities, privileges, advantages, or accommodations of such establishment if such establishment is located within a building which contains not more than five rooms for rent or hire and which is actually occupied by the proprietor as his residence.*

*(c) Nothing in this section shall be construed so as to deter any law enforcement officer from lawfully carrying out the duties of his office; and no law enforcement officer shall be considered to be in violation of this section for lawfully carrying out the duties of his office or lawfully enforcing ordinances and laws of the United States, the District of Columbia, any of the several States, or any political subdivision of a State. For purposes of the preceding sentence, the term "law enforcement officer" means any officer of the United States, the District of Columbia, a State, or political subdivision of a State, who is empowered by law to conduct investigations of, or make arrests because of, offenses against the United States, the District of Columbia, a*

*State, or a political subdivision of a State.*

*(d) For purposes of this section, the term "State" includes a State of the United States, the District of Columbia, and any commonwealth, territory, or possession of the United States.*

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# Alaska State Legislature

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
Alaska State Capitol Juneau, Alaska 99801-1181

## SPONSOR STATEMENT

### **COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 22 (RLS)**

*Relating to a diverse community; condemning a recent racially motivated attack; and requesting the Municipality of Anchorage police department to continue their conclusive investigation and for the criminal justice system to take rapid action to reach their determination of this case.*

This resolution addresses the despicable attack by three teenagers who drove into downtown Anchorage specifically to shoot paintballs at Native Alaskans. The teens made a videotape of the incidents, which police officials say is "an unmistakable hate crime."

House Joint Resolution 22 is not to be construed as an indication that this will be the legislature's final say on this incident. Before reacting, however, the legislature needs to exercise due diligence in incidents such as this.

HJR 22 notes that federal law, 18 U.S.C. 245, makes it illegal to commit a crime motivated by bias based on race, religion, national origin or color. Also noted is Alaska state law, AS 12.55.155(c)(22), which provides an aggravating factor for sentencing for a serious crime that a defendant knowingly commits a crime against another person "because of that person's race, sex, color, creed, physical or mental disability, ancestry or national origin."

The resolution resolves that: (1) the Alaska State Legislature condemns the attack and finds the conduct of those perpetrating the act and other similar conduct to be unacceptable; (2) the Anchorage Police Department continue its thorough and conclusive investigation of the attack so as to allow the criminal justice system to take rapid action to reach their determination of this case; (3) those committing such offenses be required to complete cultural and social sensitivity training and perform community service in an environment that brings them into close contact with the minority groups targeted by the perpetrators; (4) the legislature pledges its support for fair and equitable treatment for all who live, do business in or visit Alaska; and, the legislature joins with AFN in their request to the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights for a formal investigation into this incident and other incidents of racism and discrimination within the state.

# FISCAL NOTE

**STATE OF ALASKA**  
**2001 LEGISLATIVE SESSION**

Fiscal Note Number: 1  
 Bill Version: CSHJR 22(RLS)  
 (H) Publish Date: 3/22/01

Revision Date/Time (Note if correction): \_\_\_\_\_ Dept. Affected: Legislature  
 Title: Diverse Community/Condemn Hate Crimes BRU: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Sponsor: House Rules Component: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Requester: House Leadership Component Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**Expenditures/Revenues** (Thousands of Dollars)

Note: Amounts do not include inflation unless otherwise noted below.

| OPERATING EXPENDITURES | FY 2002    | FY 2003    | FY 2004    | FY 2005    | FY 2006    | FY 2007    |
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**ANALYSIS:** (Attach a separate page if necessary)

Prepared by: Denise Henderson, House Rules Staff

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Representative Pete Kott, Chair, House Rules Committee  
Committee Chair

Date 5/21/01



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**TOP ALASKA STORIES**

### 3 teens hunted Natives with paintball guns, police say

**VIDEO: Youths in car taped themselves during drive-by attacks; no charges filed yet. (Video clips included)**

By Peter Porco  
Anchorage Daily News  
(Published February 24, 2001)

On the night of Jan. 14, three teenagers drove into downtown Anchorage for the express purpose of shooting paintballs at Native Alaskans, police said Friday.

The youths, who are white, made a videotape of the drive-by shootings, a shocking record of what police say is an unmistakable hate crime.

"We're going to Anchorage," one of the trio says on the tape as they are leaving Eagle River. "We're going to nail some Eskimos -- also known as muktuks."

The 24-minute tape, which has been seized by police, shows male and female victims in the downtown core and in Mountain View flinching as they're hit by what police say are frozen paintballs.

It shows victims trying to shield their faces after being struck at close range and others glancing around in bewilderment as the marble-sized balls hit buildings and other objects.

All the while, the youths laugh derisively at the seeming helplessness of their targets.

"They're drunk ... blitzed," one says on the tape.

The youths are known to police but have not been charged with any crime because investigators want to continue to build the case against them, said police Lt. Tom Nelson.

### Teens' video of paintball spree



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One suspect is 19, the others are juveniles. Police would give no other details about them.

Police are urging victims who were struck that night and possibly at other times, as well as witnesses and anyone who has heard the teens brag about the deed, to come forward.

Two victims have been identified. One is a woman hit in the side as she walked with a male companion on Fourth Avenue between C and D streets. She and her friend called police and described the car -- a 1999 silver Subaru Impreza -- and its plate number, police said.

The other victim contacted police later, they said.

The license tag led investigators to a house in Eagle River, where they confiscated a paintball gun. From information gathered there, police were led to a second home, where they found the tape, detective Nancy Potter said.

Investigators think the suspects may have attacked people in other neighborhoods that night and possibly on other occasions.

"They talk about Spenard, but the tape doesn't show Spenard," Potter said. Fairview is another neighborhood where the youths may have attacked people, she said.

The tape shows the teens often circling the block bounded by Fourth and Fifth avenues and C and D streets, and cruising other downtown streets. The youths would spot people they thought were inebriated and then shoot them.

The tape shows that the teens targeted only Alaska Natives and explicitly excluded people of other races.

"Shoot him! Shoot him!" one suspect urges. "You need to shoot that guy."

"No," another teen answers. "He's Chinese."

In the tape, the boys taunt one tall Native man, daring him to fight. They quickly drive off, hurling epithets at him as they giggle. On their second time around the block, the same man walks toward them and begins to take off his jacket, then jerks away at the popping sounds of the gun.

In another instance, the car pulls up beside a man walking down a street, and one of the suspects says, "Hello. ... Are you drunk?"

"I'm always drunk," the man says, looking straight ahead.

"We're tourists from California, and we just wanted to talk to some Alaskan people," one says.

Without stopping, the man says he's from Nome and is 52 years old and has had trouble with alcohol since he was 14.

"Talk to the camera, man," one of the suspects says. "We're taking this back to our families."

As the man turns around, he's shot in the face.

Potter, the detective, spoke of the case with anger and contempt for the youths.

"They were cowards," she said. "They made sure their doors were locked, and they would not shoot at red lights where they would have to stop."

The act is clearly a hate crime, Potter said.

Alaska has no law recognizing so-called hate crimes, said state assistant attorney general Cynthia Cooper. A judge may consider hate-crime elements, however, and go beyond the presumptive sentence up to the maximum allowed for a particular crime, Cooper said.

Paintball guns are generally used in mock combat in outdoor locations and in indoor games like tag and capture the flag. But throughout the country they're also being used on the streets by "paintball predators," according to the Washington Post.

Paintballs generally weigh about an eighth of an ounce and consist of food coloring, vegetable oil and some soap, said Dave Puerner, co-owner of Sector 7G, an indoor games arena in Anchorage.

They can cause serious injury, and some shooting victims have lost eyes, the Post reported.

Police ask anyone with information about the crime to call 786-8885.

Reporter Peter Porco can be reached at [pporco@adn.com](mailto:pporco@adn.com) and 907-257-4582.

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