

their future responsibilities and obligations as citizens of this great nation; and

WHEREAS, the legislature of several states have adopted resolutions designating October 31 of each year as Youth Honor Day, which is appropriately observed in honor of the youth of this nation; and

WHEREAS, the Youth Honor Day program has been of tremendous benefit to the youth of America by providing them with the opportunity to assume the responsibility of governing the conduct of the members of their own group; and

WHEREAS, the adoption of the Youth Honor Day program would prove very beneficial not only to the youth but also to all the people of this state;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Legislature of the State of Alaska does hereby authorize and respectfully request the Governor to issue a proclamation designating October 31 of each year as Youth Honor Day; that the people of this state be urged to actively participate in the observance of this day; and that a suitable copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Governor, the Honorable William A. Egan.

Passed by the House February 13, 1959.

Passed by the Senate February 20, 1959.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 5

Be it Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Alaska:

WHEREAS, the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska, on March 5, 1949, authorized the creation of the Alaska Statehood Committee; and

WHEREAS, the aforesaid Committee was charged with the duties of conducting research, and preparing and disseminating information on statehood in order that the people of Alaska might better prepare for and carry on the successful fight to achieve statehood; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Statehood Committee did faithfully and well carry out the duties delegated to them; and

WHEREAS, the assistance to the Alaska Constitutional Convention by the aforesaid Committee in the collection and preparation of factual material for the use of the Convention materially assisted that body in preparing and bringing into actuality one of the best constitutions of any of the forty-nine states; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting and proper that just recognition be given the members of this Committee who have so well

carried out the duties assigned to them;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the First Legislature of the State of Alaska, in First Session assembled, that a vote of thanks be, and is hereby extended by this Assembly to those dedicated Alaskans who served as members of the Alaska Statehood Committee:— Robert B. Atwood of Anchorage; William L. Baker of Ketchikan; Lee Bettinger of Kodiak; Mrs. Mildred R. Hermann of Juneau; Jack Hinckel of Kodiak; Percy Ipalook of Wales; Howard Lyng of Nome; Stanley J. McCutcheon of Anchorage; Andrew Nerland of Fairbanks; Frank Peratrovich of Klawock; Victor C. Rivers of Anchorage; C. W. Snedden of Fairbanks; Warren A. Taylor of Fairbanks; Michael J. Walsh of Nome; Senator E. L. Bartlett of Juneau; Judge Anthony J. Dimond of Anchorage; Senator Ernest Gruening of Juneau; Governor B. Frank Heintzleman of Juneau; Governor Mike Stepovich of Fairbanks; and Acting Governor Waino E. Hendrickson of Juneau. And further that copies of this Resolution be presented to these Alaskans, or to the immediate families of those not now living.

Passed by the House February 17, 1959.

Passed by the Senate February 23, 1959.