

WHEREAS Colonel Norris flew with great distinction during the Second World War, earning by his skill and valor the Distinguished Flying Cross with four Oak Leaf Clusters, the Air Medal with Four Oak Leaf Clusters, the American Campaign Medal, the World War II Victory Medal, the Air Force Longevity Service Award, the European, African, and Middle Eastern Campaign Medals, the Distinguished Unit Citation Emblem, and the Croix de Guerre with Palm; and

WHEREAS he served his state and country with ability and diligence as Operations Staff Officer of the Alaska Air National Guard from 1958 until the time of his death; and

WHEREAS the ability and dedication

of Colonel Norris directly contributed to the success of the Alaska National Guard in fulfilling its mission of service to Alaska and the United States; and

WHEREAS the death of Colonel Norris, in the execution of his duties, is a grievous loss to the people of Alaska;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature hereby expresses its highest regard for the late Lieutenant Colonel Thomas E. Norris and deep sorrow at his untimely death, and extends to his mother, brothers and sisters, his wife, Dorothy Jean Norris, and their three children its sincerest condolences on their loss which they share with the people of Alaska.

Passed by the House May 28, 1964.

Passed by the Senate May 28, 1964.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 33

Honoring the memory of Major James A. Rowe, late member of the Alaska Air National Guard.

Be it Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate Concurring:

WHEREAS, during the legislative recess, Major James A. Rowe, transport pilot of the Alaska Air National Guard, lost his life in a tragic aircraft accident while engaged in duties pertaining to the reconstruction of the state after the earthquake disaster; and

WHEREAS Major Rowe was a citizen-soldier whose fidelity and competence had been repeatedly demonstrated to all his associates; and

WHEREAS such was the quality and scope of Major Rowe's service to his country in various assignments and capacities that he acquired a most enviable record, receiving the Asiatic, Pacific, Middle European and African Campaign Medals, the American Defense Service Medal, the Good Conduct Medal, the World War II Victory Medal, the Korean Service Medal, the United Na-

tions Service Medal, the National Defense Medal, the Air Force Longevity Service Medal with two Oak Leaf Clusters, the Air Force Reserve Medal, and the American Theatre Medal; and

WHEREAS Major Rowe was serving the people of Alaska and the United States faithfully and ably as transport pilot at the time of the fatal accident, contributing in significant measure to the effort to bring assistance and relief to earthquake-stricken areas of the state; and

WHEREAS every citizen of Alaska has cause to mourn the loss of Major Rowe;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature hereby expresses its highest regard and esteem for the late Major James A. Rowe, transport pilot of the Alaska Air National Guard, and its sorrow at his most unfortunate death, and extends to his father and mother, his wife, Roberta L. Rowe, and his four children its sincerest condolences on their irredeemable loss.

Passed by the House May 28, 1964.

Passed by the Senate, May 28, 1964.