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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 29

Honoring Harold M. Snoddy.

BE IT RESOLVED

BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

WHEREAS today, March 12, 1971, a fellow Alaskan, Harold M. Snoddy, is to be awarded the Distinguished Service Cross in Wrangell for extraordinary heroism in connection with military operations involving conflict with an armed hostile force in the Republic of Vietnam; and

WHEREAS, on May 12, 1969, then Sergeant Snoddy volunteered to join a force whose job was to repel enemy forces which had overtaken four perimeter bunkers; and

WHEREAS, although under a continuous hail of enemy fire, Sergeant Snoddy first was responsible for eliminating hostile forces in the process of launching a treacherous B-40 rocket; and

WHEREAS, while continuing to advance on the enemy held bunkers, he was repeatedly thrown to the ground by the concussion of satchel charges; and

WHEREAS, singlehandedly, he succeeded in recapturing one perimeter bunker and then proceeded to pursue the fleeing enemy soldiers in spite of sustaining a fragmentation wound; and

WHEREAS, fearing that a second bunker into which the enemy had retreated might contain injured American personnel, he refrained from the use of grenades, and instead singlehandedly charged the bunker, silenced the remainder of the enemy force, and treated and evacuated to safety a wounded comrade; and

WHEREAS the above-listed acts of Sergeant Snoddy illustrate a devotion to duty in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service and reflect great credit upon himself, his unit, and the United States Army;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Seventh Alaska Legislature that it extends its congratulations to Harold M. Snoddy on his award of the Distinguished Service Cross and conveys its most sincere belief that his actions on May 12, 1969, have more than made him deserving of the highest honor and respect from his fellow Alaskans, as well as other Americans; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that the members of the Legislature extend their best wishes to Mr. Snoddy for continued success in all future endeavors.

COPIES of this Resolution shall be presented to Harold M. Snoddy and his wife, Carol Snoddy.