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## AN ACT

Establishing the Alaska American Revolution Bicentennial Commission; and providing for an effective date.

### BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

\* Section 1. The Alaska American Revolution Bicentennial Commission is established in the Office of the Governor.

\* Sec. 2. The commission consists of the director of the Alaska travel division, the director of the state museum and seven additional members appointed by the governor. The commission shall select a chairman from its membership. Terms of all members end on December 31, 1976.

\* Sec. 3. Members of the commission serve without compensation but are entitled to per diem and travel expenses authorized by law for other boards and commissions.

\* Sec. 4. The Alaska American Revolution Bicentennial Commission shall prepare an overall program for commemorating the bicentennial of the American Revolution in Alaska and shall plan, encourage, develop and coordinate observances and activities commemorating the historic events that preceded and are associated with the American Revolution. In carrying out these responsibilities the commission may

(1) consider related plans and programs developed by the National American Revolution Bicentennial Commission and local and private groups, and it may designate special committees with representatives from these groups to plan, develop and coordinate specific activities;

(2) give emphasis in its planning to the ideas associated with the American Revolution which have been important to the development of the United States and Alaska in world affairs and in mankind's quest for freedom;

(3) consult, cooperate with and seek advice from appropriate state departments, the University of Alaska, local public bodies, learned societies, and historical, patriotic, philanthropic, civic, professional and related organizations;

(4) determine if there are sites in the state which are appropriate for preservation or development in commemoration of the American Revolution so that suitable observances and exhibits may be held at the sites during the bicentennial celebration;

(5) accept donations of money, property or personal services.

\* Sec. 5. (a) Not later than January 1, 1974 the commission shall submit to the governor a comprehensive report incorporating its specific recommendations for the commemoration of the American Revolution and related events. The report may recommend activities including, but not limited to

(1) the production, publication and distribution of books, pamphlets, films and other educational materials on the history, culture and political thought of the period of the American Revolution;

(2) bibliographical and documentary projects and publications;

(3) conferences, convocations, lectures, seminars and other programs;

(4) the development of libraries, museums, historic sites and exhibits, including mobile exhibits;

(5) ceremonies and celebrations commemorating specific events;

(6) the issuance of commemorative medals, seals, automobile license plates and certificates of recognition.

(b) The report of the commission shall include recommendations for the allocation of financial and administrative responsibility among the public and private organizations recommended for participation by the commission. The report shall also include proposals for legislation and administrative action the commission considers necessary to carry out its recommendations. The governor shall transmit the report to the legislature with any comments and recommendations for legislation.

\* Sec. 6. This Act takes effect on the day after its passage and approval or on the day it becomes law without approval.