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SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 9

Urging the acceptance of Bridget Smith at the Catholic University of America.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE:

WHEREAS Alaska faces many problems which need to be solved by skilled and educated people; and

WHEREAS as Alaska has limited college graduate level programs available it would be helpful to the people of the state if colleges and universities in other parts of the country would allow qualified Alaska students to enroll in their graduate programs; and

WHEREAS a qualified Alaska student by the name of Bridget Smith has applied for admittance to the Catholic University of America graduate school of psychology and been rejected for reasons unknown; and

WHEREAS Bridget's mother and father were both graduates of the Catholic University of America and her sister has been accepted in an undergraduate program, thus providing Bridget with an unequalled personal desire to attend this particular institution; and

WHEREAS her application is and has been for some time under re-consideration by the admissions office of the university at the urging of many prominent Alaskans, including Governor William A. Egan, Senators Ted Stevens and Mike Gravel, and no communication has been received as of this date from the university; and

WHEREAS, because of the time factor involved, it is now too late for one to apply and be admitted to any reputable institution of higher education for the fall semester;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska Senate that it lends its support to the application of Bridget Smith to the Catholic University of America and urges that she be accepted as a full-time graduate student in psychology and further states and avers that she is a young Alaskan eminently qualified, both academically and in every other way, and that to deny her admission at this time would be to perpetrate a tragic disservice upon the university, upon Bridget, and upon the people of the State of Alaska.

COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to Mr. Clarence C. Walton, President, The Catholic University of America; and to Mr. Raymond J. Steimel, Dean of Admissions, The Catholic University of America.