



# Alaska State Legislature

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## HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 32

Congratulating Elaine Ramos.

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**BE IT RESOLVED**

**BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:**

WHEREAS Mrs. Elaine Ramos of Sitka has been chosen "Outstanding American Indian of the Year" by the national Indian Council Fire organization; and

WHEREAS, a native of Yakutat, after receiving her education both at Sheldon Jackson High School and at the College, she was trained as a nurse, becoming the first Tlingit Indian to serve as a nurse in Alaska; and

WHEREAS she later returned to Sheldon Jackson College to pioneer in the development of instructional materials for use in teaching the Tlingit language; the Tlingit-Haida language workshop at that school, which Elaine Ramos organized, revived interest in Haida as a spoken language and in written Tlingit; and

WHEREAS, more recently, she became Vice-President of Sheldon Jackson for Institutional Development, and serves on the program agency of the United Presbyterian Church of the U.S.A.; and

WHEREAS, because of her skill as a linguist and as an educational administrator, she is serving this year as administrative director of the University of Alaska's new Alaska Native Language Center on the Fairbanks campus;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska State Legislature takes note of the significant contribution Elaine Ramos has made to her native state as a devoted nurse, respected churchwoman,

noted linguist and innovative educator and that she is, indeed, a distinguished Alaskan in whom all of us take particular pride in congratulating as "Outstanding American Indian of the Year."

A COPY of this resolution shall be sent to Mrs. Elaine Ramos.