



# Alaska State Legislature

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## HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 140

Honoring Samuel G. Johnson.

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**BE IT RESOLVED**

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

WHEREAS Samuel G. Johnson, a respected community leader in Angoon, passed away on April 26, 1976, at the age of 87; and

WHEREAS Samuel G. Johnson was appointed U.S. Commissioner for Angoon in 1936 and served Alaska in that post for 30 years; and

WHEREAS he was appointed lay minister of the Angoon Presbyterian Church in 1922, later serving as a lay worker at the First Presbyterian Churches in Petersburg and Hoonah, on the mission boat Linley, and at the Memorial Presbyterian Church of Juneau, in a career of service to the community which spanned 30 years; and

WHEREAS he was elected the first mayor of Angoon in 1922; also serving as the first president of the Alaska Native Brotherhood of Angoon Camp No. 7 in the same year; and

WHEREAS he was active in the affairs of the Alaska Native Brotherhood throughout his lifetime, being instrumental in the development of the structure of the organizational predecessor to the Tlingit and Haida Central Council and often testifying before federal and state legislative bodies on issues affecting the Tlingit and Haida communities;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska State Legislature that it conveys its deeply felt sorrow at the passing of Samuel G. Johnson and reaffirms in his honor its collective dedication to

serve all Alaskans with the same devotion and energy he gave during his lifetime.

COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to his wife, Minnie; his sons, Wilbur, Herbert, Walter and Daniel of Angoon; and daughter Mrs. Marie Garcia of Juneau.