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## SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 97

Paying tribute to the memory of Henry W. Clark.

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### BE IT RESOLVED

#### BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

WHEREAS the members of the Alaska Legislature are saddened to learn of the death of a prominent American long identified with Alaska and its development, Henry W. Clark; and

WHEREAS this native of Alaska and former officer of the Alaska Steamship Company was born in Wrangell, grew up in Southeast Alaska, then graduated from Harvard University and spent the years from 1927 to 1941 on the faculties of both Harvard and Lafayette Colleges; and

WHEREAS during World War II he served in the United States Army, achieving the rank of Colonel; he then served as general manager of the Alaska Development Board; and

WHEREAS, long associated with the maritime industry in this state, from 1936 to 1951 he was Vice President, then Manager, of the Pacific Maritime Association; from 1952 to 1970 he was Vice President and Washington representative of the Alaska Steamship Company; and

WHEREAS, an author of note, he wrote the Alaska article in the Encyclopedia Americana, and authored three books: A History of Alaska, Alaska, The Last Frontier, and Alexander (Buck) Choquete; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his professional career and literary interests, he was a member of the Board of Overseers of the Harvard Club, and a member of the Metropolitan Club of Washington,

Phi Beta Kappa, the Arctic Institute of North America and the National Defense Transportation Association;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska State Legislature that it honors the memory of Henry Wadsworth ("Eskie") Clark for his devotion to his native state, for his lifetime effort to develop the transportation system required by Alaskans to maintain communications among its several communities and to strengthen the economic livelihood of the entire state, as well as for his interest in recounting the history and heritage of this, "The Great Land."

COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to his widow, Evelyn, of Silver Springs, Maryland, and to his son and daughters.