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Honoring the Sisters of Providence.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

WHEREAS the Sisters of Providence have for 75 years selflessly cared for the sick and injured, generously fed and clothed the needy, and diligently instructed the young in Alaska; and

WHEREAS the Sisters of Providence have proved their tenacious pioneering spirit, starting with a 6,500 mile journey from Montreal to Nome in 1902 and reaffirmed in their travels by dog sled, wagon and on foot to care for the sick and injured in the Alaskan bush, undaunted by hardships and brushes with death; and

WHEREAS the Sisters of Providence have been in the forefront in caring for people through major calamities such as the 1905 fire and the 1913 flood in Nome, the 1920 influenza epidemic in Fairbanks, and the 1964 earthquake in Anchorage; and

WHEREAS the Sisters of Providence have for 75 years provided quality health care to Alaskan patients in Holy Cross Hospital in Nome (1902-1918), St. Joseph Hospital in Fairbanks (1910-1969), and Providence Hospital in Anchorage (1939-Present);

BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska State Legislature honors the Sisters of Providence for their dedication to all people in times of adversity and extends its appreciation to the Sisters for their incalculable service to the people of Alaska.

COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to Mr. Al Comosso, Administrator at Providence Hospital in Anchorage; The Most Reverend Francis T. Hurley, Archbishop of Anchorage; The Most Reverend Robert L. Whelan, S.J., Bishop of the Diocese of

Fairbanks; Sister Louise Gleason, Chairman of the Board; and Philias Denis, President of the Sisters of Providence Corporation in Seattle.