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Recalling the life of Cedric Davis.

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

The legislature notes with regret the recent death of Cedric Davis, a member of a family which has contributed much to the cultural and civic life of Juneau for almost ninety years.

With his brother, Trevor Davis, Cedric Davis sought to make their Pinewood Park, a residential community outside Juneau, into a desirable place to live. To that end, they established rules for the construction and maintenance of the homes established there, including the idea that the name Pinewood Park would continue to be descriptive: when trees need to be removed for construction, new trees should be planted in their place.

Cedric enjoyed life. He took pleasure in the outdoors and loved the water. His and Trevor's boat, the SYLVITA was a very seaworthy boat and they spent many happy hours on it over the last twenty-five years.

Mr. Davis' father, John Montgomery Davis, came to Juneau in the 1890's from Liverpool to work as manager and bookkeeper for the Nowell Gold Mining Company in Silver Bow Basin.

His mother, Frances Brooks Davis, came to Juneau in the 1890's to spend the day painting and remained here the rest of her life. She was a direct descendant of Samuel Pepys, the diarist. An accomplished painter, Mrs. Davis had studied at the Royal Academy and in Paris and Milan. Her paintings of Alaskan scenes now hang in the State Museum and in numerous private collections. Sidney Laurence was a frequent guest of the Davis family. One of the founders of the Episcopal Church in Juneau, Mrs. Davis also left her imprint on the Davis House, an architecturally interesting and charming Victorian home in Juneau built in the 1890's.

Cedric Davis quietly reflected this heritage. He was conscious of good music and art. In former years he had a good voice and it was heard singing in the Episcopal Church. He enjoyed people and they enjoyed him.

The legislature, for its members and for the people of Alaska, expresses its most sincere condolences to Trevor Davis and the members of the Davis family on their loss.