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Honoring the 100th Birthday of Ernest Gruening.

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

WHEREAS Friday, February 6, 1987, is the 100th birthday of the late Ernest Gruening; and

WHEREAS Ernest Gruening was appointed as the territorial Governor of Alaska by President Franklin D. Roosevelt on December 6, 1939, and served in that office until April 10, 1953, during which time he led the effort to bring Alaska forward into the twentieth century; and

WHEREAS Ernest Gruening brought Alaska to the attention of the nation and greatly assisted in the achievement of statehood for Alaska in 1959; and

WHEREAS Ernest Gruening continued this tradition of distinguished service to Alaska in the United States Senate, from 1959 until 1969, where he was recognized internationally for his actions; and

WHEREAS Ernest Gruening continued to deeply care for and work towards the best interests of the state until his death in 1974;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska State Legislature through this action recognizes and commemorates 1987 as the centennial of Ernest Gruening's birth, and urges all citizens of the state to join in honoring his memory.

COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to members of Ernest Gruening's immediate family.