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Urging support of the 1998 International People First Conference.

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

WHEREAS the 1998 International People First Conference will be held in Anchorage on April 23 - 25, 1998, at the Egan Convention Center; and

WHEREAS this conference is expected to link at least 1,000 participants from 41 countries in an effort to develop the leadership skills of developmentally disabled persons so that they can help themselves and other developmentally disabled persons to self-advocate and live independently; and

WHEREAS the conference is co-chaired by Joe Pichler, treasurer of People First of Alaska, and Beverly Tallman, University of Alaska Anchorage, Center for Human Development; and

WHEREAS the positive economic effect of the conference on the Anchorage area could be as high as \$1,000,000; and

WHEREAS the success of the conference will depend on the involvement of corporations, businesses, and others in advance planning, funding, and the various activities necessary to accommodate a conference of this type;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska State Legislature commends the involvement of

the committee members who are working on this international conference, including members of The ARC of Anchorage, Anchorage Convention and Visitors Bureau, Access Alaska, Special Olympics Alaska, Hope Cottages, the Alaska division of vocational rehabilitation, and PARENTS; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Alaska State Legislature urges corporations, businesses, service clubs, school groups, and other persons to offer support to help make the conference an example of the finest welcome that the state has to offer.

COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to People First of Alaska, c/o The ARC of Anchorage, 2211 Arca Drive, Anchorage, AK 99508; and to the 1998 International People First Conference, Conference Headquarters, 2330 Nichols Street, Anchorage, AK 99508.