

**STATE OF ALASKA  
THE LEGISLATURE**

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Declaring February 2002 to be African-American Citizen Recognition Month.

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

**WHEREAS** the Declaration of Independence states that all men are created equal, that they are endowed with certain unalienable rights, and that these rights include the right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness; and

**WHEREAS** the Alaska State Legislature would like to recognize and show appreciation to the state's citizens of African-American descent; and

**WHEREAS** there are approximately 27,617 persons of African-American descent in the state; and

**WHEREAS** Alaska citizens of African-American descent have made important contributions to the state by participating in the building of the Alaska-Canadian Highway, the Alaska Railroad, the Trans Alaska Pipeline System, by serving in the government of the state and contributing to the state in all facets of the private sector; and

**WHEREAS** Alaska citizens of African-American descent have served with

distinction in the Alaska National Guard and in the United States Army, Navy, Marines, Air Force, Coast Guard, and Revenue Marine Service, and Alaska citizens of African-American descent continue to participate in the military defense of the state;

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Alaska State Legislature respectfully requests the governor to declare February 2002 to be African-American Citizen Recognition Month; and be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Alaska State Legislature respectfully requests and encourages all public and private agencies and citizens of the state to observe African-American Citizen Recognition Months with appropriate activities and to continue to promote unity among all the races that have made Alaska the great state that it is.