WHEREAS effective management of the Alaska king crab stock requires that the State of Alaska exercise jurisdiction over the stock throughout its migratory range; and

WHEREAS the case of Uri vs. the State of Alaska was a landmark decision in upholding the State's right to manage the Alaska king crab stock both within and beyond the State's territorial waters; and

WHEREAS the case of Uri vs. the State of Alaska is of national significance in maintaining the right of a state to regulate its fish and game resources; and

WHEREAS Gerald W. Markham did through his legal expertise successfully defend before the Alaska Supreme Court the State's position in the case of Uri vs. the State of Alaska; and

WHEREAS as Assistant Attorney General for the State of Alaska, Gerald W. Markham did vigorously prosecute and defend the State's interest in fish and game matters;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska Board of Fisheries recognizes and expresses its appreciation for the exceptional contribution made by Gerald W. Markham to the Alaska fisheries management program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution will be forwarded to the Honorable Jay S. Hammond, Governor of Alaska, and the Honorable Avrum Gross, Attorney General for the State of Alaska.

ADOPTED: December 18, 1976