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Resolution in Support of the Conservation and Reinvestment Act of 1999

WHEREAS, 22 members of the Senate, including the Senate Majority Leader and Natural Resources Committee Chairman, are sponsors of S 25;

WHEREAS, this legislation would provide an estimated \$130 million to Alaska for wildlife conservation and education, coastal impact assistance and outdoor recreation programs;

WHEREAS, the Conservation and Reinvestment Act would provide a major supplement to funds provided by hunters, who have long borne the burden of funding state wildlife programs with little assistance from other Americans;

WHEREAS, little funding is currently available for the management of non-game wildlife species in Alaska. Inattention to non-game species elsewhere has led to management problems and in some cases even listing under terms of the Endangered Species Act, with resulting social and economic disruption;

WHEREAS, this legislation would enable states to develop youth programs on wildlife management to ensure continued stewardship of wildlife resources;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Alaska Board of Game thanks you for your support of the Conservation and Reinvestment Act and asks for your assistance to ensure its passage this year.

Adopted Date: January 20, 2000

Anchorage, Alaska

Vote: <u>7-0</u>

Lori Quakenbush, Chairman

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