

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF JUNEAU, ALASKA

Serial No. 260

A RESOLUTION HONORING ERNEST GRUENING

WHEREAS, death has claimed Ernest Gruening; and

WHEREAS, his vision, courage, spirit, and boundless energy led to great achievements for the nation; and

WHEREAS, those achievements were so outstanding and diverse as to have resulted in his being characterized as a modern-day Benjamin Franklin; and

WHEREAS, those same qualities coupled with a dedication to the principles of democracy resulted in his being acknowledged as the father of Alaska statehood; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of the Juneau City Borough rejoice in his deserved fame as an American and as an Alaskan; and

WHEREAS, for many years this eminent American and illustrious Alaskan made Juneau his home; and

WHEREAS, we feel a special kinship to Ernest Gruening because he was our fellow townsman and an unequivocal champion of the Capital City; and:

WHEREAS, we had the distinct privilege of knowing him as a neighbor and as a friend;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF JUNEAU, ALASKA:

1. That by this resolution the members of the City-Borough Assembly in behalf of the people of Juneau wish to pay tribute to this distinguished citizen; and

2. That this resolution serve as an expression of our grief at the passing of Ernest Gruening and as token of our sympathy for his wife, Dorothy, and his son, Huntington.

Adopted this 11th day of July, 1974.


William R. Macomber, Mayor

Attest:


Elmer J. Emery, Clerk