

SENATE BILL NO. 94

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

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Referred: Community and Regional Affairs, State Affairs

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 **"An Act adding a second verse to the official Alaska state song."**

2 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:**

3 * **Section 1.** AS 44.09.040 is amended to read:

4 **Sec. 44.09.040. State song.** The song "Alaska's Flag," with music composed
5 by Elinor Dusenbury and words to the first verse by Marie Drake and words to the
6 second verse by Carol Beery Davis, is the official song of the state. The words of the
7 official song are as follows:

8 Alaska's Flag

9 Eight stars of gold on a field of blue -
10 Alaska's flag. May it mean to you
11 The blue of the sea, the evening sky,
12 The mountain lakes, and the flow'rs nearby;
13 The gold of the early sourdough's dreams,
14 The precious gold of the hills and streams;
15 The brilliant stars in the northern sky,

1 The "Bear" - the "Dipper" - and, shining high,
 2 The great North Star with its steady light,
 3 Over land and sea a beacon bright.
 4 Alaska's flag - to Alaskans dear,
 5 The simple flag of a last frontier.

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 7 **A native lad chose our Dipper's stars**
 8 **for Alaska's flag that there be no bars**
 9 **among our cultures. Be it known**
 10 **through years our natives' past has grown**
 11 **to share our treasures, hand in hand,**
 12 **to keep Alaska our Great Land.**
 13 **We love the northern midnight sky,**
 14 **our mountains, lakes and the streams nearby;**
 15 **Our Great North Star with its steady light**
 16 **will guide our cultures clear and bright**
 17 **with Nature's flag to Alaskans dear -**
 18 **The simple flag of a last Frontier.**

19 * **Sec. 2.** AS 44.09.040 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

20 (b) A copy of "Alaska's Flag" produced for public use must have the following
 21 attribution and notice: "copyright University of Alaska Foundation, nonprofit use
 22 permitted, all other rights reserved."