

# STATE OF ALASKA

## HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION

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### RESOLUTION 92-01

**WHEREAS** the Alaska State Legislature has made known to Federal officials Alaska's support of immediate investigation and prosecution under Federal civil rights laws of those violating the civil rights of others because of their race or ethnic heritage in the Rodney King case and the riots which followed, and

**WHEREAS** such Federal investigations and actions are now in process as to these events, and

**WHEREAS** there are increasing national and local incidents of violence and crimes motivated by racial, religious, and ethnic prejudice which have not received the attention given to the Rodney King and Los Angeles riot events, and

**WHEREAS** as the agency charged with adjudicating claims of discrimination in Alaska under one of the strongest civil rights laws in the nation, the Alaska State Commission for Human Rights is concerned with the lack of national and state consensus condemning racism in our nation and state, and

**WHEREAS** there is need to investigate institutionalized racism in our nation and state and a need for open dialogue on racial problems among all citizens,

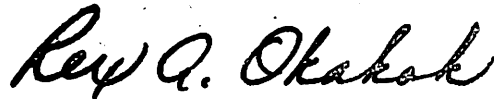
**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Alaska State Commission for Human Rights urges the President and Congress of the United States and the Governor and Legislature of the State of Alaska to pursue a national and state consensus to combat and eliminate racism in our nation and state, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Alaska State Commission for Human Rights urges the President and Congress of the United States and the Governor and Legislature of the State of Alaska to establish and pursue policies to eliminate racism throughout our land and strengthen the enforcement of civil rights laws.

**ALASKA STATE COMMISSION FOR HUMAN RIGHTS  
RESOLUTION 92-01  
JUNE 12, 1992**

**COPIES** of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable George Bush, President of the United States; the Honorable William P. Barr, Attorney General of the United States; the Honorable Ted Stevens and the Honorable Frank Murkowski, U. S. Senators, and the Honorable Don Young, U. S. Representative, members of the Alaska Delegation in Congress; the Honorable Walter J. Hickel, Governor of Alaska; and the Honorable Richard I. Eliason, President of the Senate, and the Honorable Ben Grussendorf, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Alaska State Legislature; the Honorable Peter J. Wilson, Governor of California; and the Honorable Tom Bradley, Mayor of Los Angeles.

**PASSED UNANIMOUSLY** at Craig, Alaska, this 12th day of June, 1992.



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**Rex A. Okakok, Chairperson**