

1983 ALPHA RESOLUTIONS

Resolution Number	Title of Resolution and Sponsor	Action	Directed to
1-83	<p>Repeal of mandated premarital tests for syphilis.</p> <p>John Middaugh</p>	Approved	Legislation
2-83	<p>Regional Health Resource Organizations. Supports the passage of legislation to establish Regional Health Resource Organizations (RHROs) to replace Healthy Systems Agencies and allocation of funds to provide professional staff support to the volunteer boards of the RHROs.</p> <p>Charles Kaltenback</p>	Approved	Legislature
3-83	<p>Indemnity Fund for Natural Resource Development Projects. Urges the passage of legislation to require an indemnity fund of natural resource development industrial projects to insure comprehensive and full compensation for all identified risks and resulting effects undergone by Alaska residents.</p> <p>John Middaugh</p>	Approved	Legislature
4-83	<p>Promoting Peace and Health and Against Nuclear War. Supports a statewide nuclear freeze initiative to prevent nuclear war and creation and distribution of a pamphlet to discuss the health impacts of nuclear weapons.</p> <p>Lawrence D. Weiss</p>	Approved	Legislature
5-83	<p>Immunization Indemnification. Urges compensation for costs of care associated with adverse reaction to any immunization mandated by state law in cases in which injuries are uncompensated by any other party.</p> <p>John Middaugh</p>	Approved	Legislature
6-83	<p>Public and Government Review of New Industrial Developmental Proposals. Recommends that the State establish a policy to review new industrial development projects for emphasis on health, safety, and environmental factors.</p> <p>John Middaugh</p>	Approved	State of Alaska

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7-83	<p>In Support of Right-to-Know. Encourages the Alaska Public Health Association to educate the legislature and municipalities regarding worker right-to-know about the substances they work with and understand protective measures for health in the work place.</p> <p>Lawrence D. Weiss</p>	Approved	Legislature, ALPHA, municipalities of Anchorage, Fairbanks, and Juneau
8-83	<p>Iron Deficiency Anemia/Nutrition Services. Supports increased nutrition services in Alaska, an increase in supplemental food programs and school programs providing iron fortified or enriched foods, and increased nutrition education.</p> <p>Joan M. Pelto</p>	Approved	Legislature, State and school districts
9-83	<p>The Health Consequences of Smoking. Urges ALPHA members to encourage health workers to provide a good role model for clients by not smoking at their work place and asks municipal, state, and federal employees to refrain from smoking in public buildings to provide a smoke free environment for all workers and visitors.</p> <p>Leo Kaye</p>	Approved	ALPHA

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1-84	<p>School Lunch Programs. Supports nutritious school food programs through schools providing nutrition curriculum in classroom; implementation of Dietary Guidelines in school food programs; serve nutritious beverages (milk products and fruit juices); involve students in meal planning; provide food service personnel with training; and ensure adequate funding for school food programs.</p> <p>Joan M. Pelto</p>	Approved	School districts and Legislature
2-84	<p>School Health Education. Supports implementation of a required comprehensive, sequential program of health education, kindergarten through twelfth grade, for all students in Alaska's public and private schools.</p> <p>Alaska Health Education Consortium</p>	Approved	School districts, Dept. of Education and Legislature
3-84	<p>Hazardous Materials Indemnity. Urges the Legislature, public health officials, and the congressional delegation to ensure that adequate procedures are developed to protect the State from hazardous materials and to indemnify the State in the event that investigation, sampling monitoring, and disposal programs at federal sites conveyed to State ownership become necessary in the future.</p> <p>John Middaugh</p>	Approved	State Department of Health and Social Services and the Legislature
4-84	<p>Establish Comprehensive Hazardous Waste Program in Alaska. Recommends adoption of hazardous waste regulation based on a "degree of hazard" approach as proposed by the Department of Environmental Conservation; urges business, labor, environmental groups, health professionals, industry representatives, Native organizations, and others to support a comprehensive hazardous waste program in Alaska.</p> <p>John Middaugh</p>	Approved	Legislature, Governor, and Department of Environmental Conservation.
5-84	<p>Promotion of Universal Access to Fluoridation in Alaska. Calls for State and federal agencies to assure that all Alaskan communities with public water systems implement central water fluoridation; and for communities without public water systems, to assure community access to fluoridation programs.</p> <p>Dave Spence</p>	Approved	Departments of Environmental Conservation, Health and Social Services, and Municipalities

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6-84	<p>Universal Access to Prenatal Health Care. Calls for the legislature to assure universal access of Alaskans to prenatal health care.</p> <p>Dave Spence</p>	Approved	Legislature
7-84	<p>Support for Data Collection Programs. Urges the State to increase financial and human resources in programs of demography and vital statistics; transfer the vital statistics program to the Division of Public Health; and urges the Alaska Congressional Delegation to work for increased federal budgets for federal data systems.</p> <p>John Middaugh</p>	Approved	State, Department of Health and Social Services and the Alaska Delegation
8-84	<p>Disease Concept of Alcoholism. Supports recognition of the disease concept of alcoholism and recommends implementation of prevention and intervention programs for alcoholism.</p> <p>Matt Felix</p>	Approved	Legislature, statewide alcoholism programs
9-84	<p>Carbon Monoxide, Air Quality, and Automobile Inspections in Anchorage. Supports improved air quality in Anchorage and urges the Mayor and Municipal Assembly to require ongoing studies and proof that implementation of mandatory motor vehicle inspections are effective in improving air quality; also encourages the exploration of implementing other measures for improving air quality (synchronized stop-lights, mass transportation).</p> <p>John Middaugh</p>	Approved	Mayor, Municipality of Anchorage
10-84	<p>Asbestos Abatement in Alaska Schools. Urges implementation of an asbestos abatement program in all Alaskan schools in accordance with recognized standards for asbestos abatement.</p> <p>John Middaugh</p>	Approved	Legislature and Governor
11-84	<p>Community Health Aide Training. Supports the passage of legislation which would provide equitable financial support for Community Health Aide training throughout the state.</p> <p>ALPHA Rural Health Committee</p>	Approved	Legislature

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12-84	<p>Prevention of Cancer in Alaska Native People. Urges the federal and state government and agencies to report periodically on findings from the Statewide Alaska Native Cancer Surveillance Project for continuous surveillance, early diagnosis, and screening of potential cancer victims. Also requests federal, state, regional, and local governments to develop cancer prevention programs in the Native population.</p> <p>ALPHA Rural Health Committee</p>	Approved	IHS, CDC, AK Department of Health and Social Services
13-84	<p>Food Handlers' Training and Certification. Urges the Department of Environmental Conservation to implement food handler certification; allocate funding for developing and implementing training programs for food handlers.</p>	Approved	Department of Environmental Conservation
14-84	<p>Memorial for Erwin S. Rabeau, M.D. Acknowledges the medical and humane contributions of Dr. Rabeau in Alaska and his unexpected death in May, 1984; requests a moment of silence and commemoration at the ALPHA meeting and expresses heartfelt sympathy to the Rabeau family; and calls on all health workers in Alaska to carry on the tradition of personal and public health activities initiated by Dr. Rabeau.</p>	Approved	Statewide

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Resolution Number	Title of Resolution and Sponsor	Action	Directed to
1-85	<p>Pursuing More Effective State Standards to Protect Workers and Adjacent Community During Construction, Remodeling or Demolition Involving Potential Exposure to Asbestos. Urges the Department of Labor to prevent unnecessary exposures to asbestos during construction, remodeling, or demolition through certification and worker training programs and lowering the asbestos exposure standard to 0.1 f/cc level.</p> <p>Lawrence D. Weiss</p>	Approved	Department of Labor, Governor and Legislature
2-85	<p>In Support of Amendment to AS 18.60, "An Act Relating to Toxic and Hazardous Substances in the Work Place". Urges the Department of Labor and Legislature to change the Act Relating to Toxic and Hazardous Substances in the Workplace (AS 18.60) to include physical and biological agents among the hazards included in, and enforced under the act. Also urges the Legislature to provide funds to the Department of Labor for enforcement of the existing Right-to-Know legislation and any amendments to this act.</p> <p>Lawrence D. Weiss</p>	Approved	Commission of Labor, Governor and Legislators
3-85	<p>Use of Pesticides. Recommends a task force with representatives from the Department of Environmental Conservation and municipal health departments develop new regulations regarding use of pesticides in urban and rural settings.</p> <p>Maggie Destefano</p>	Approved	Governor, Departments of Environment Conservation, Health and Social Services, and other agencies.
4-85	<p>Advocating Community Right-To-Know Legislation. Advocates for mandatory reporting by employers to a public agency of all toxic materials and physical agents stored, manufactured, used, or transported by that employer and that the public has access to this information. Entire communities will have the right to be fully informed about hazardous substances and physical agents in their communities leading to protection of the community from spills, accidents, fires, and other industrial disasters.</p> <p>Lawrence D. Weiss</p>	Approved	Governor, Legislature, communities, and Department of Labor

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5-85	<p>Public Health Laboratory Construction. Urges the Alaska Department of Health and Social Services, Office of the Governor, and the Alaska Legislature to support the construction of a public health laboratory on the University of Alaska Anchorage Campus.</p> <p>Harry J. Colvin</p>	Approved	Governor, Legislature, Department of Health and Social Services
6-85	<p>Redress of World War II Relocation of Japanese-Americans and Aleut Americans. Calls for an advisory vote to the American Public Health Association (APHA) affiliate representative to endorse the findings and recommendations of the U.S. Commission on Wartime Relocation and Internment of Civilians and urges Congress to enact HR 442 to compensate the victims and conduct public remembrances of these events.</p> <p>Elsie S. Baukol</p>	Not Approved	American Public Health Association Affiliate Representative
7-85	<p>Resolution Regarding Taxation of Benefits-April 1985. Calls for an advisory vote to the American Public Health Association Representative. The resolution discusses the Reagan Administration plan to tax employee health and social services benefits.</p> <p>Lawrence D. Weiss</p>	Not Approved	American Public Health Association Affiliate Representative
8-85	<p>Boxing Should Be Banned. Calls for an advisory vote to the American Public Health Association Representative to ban boxing.</p> <p>Steven C. MacDonald</p>	Not Approved	American Public Health Association Affiliate
9-85	<p>Alaska Mental Health Land Trust Settlement. Resolves that ALPHA supports equitable settlement of the Mental Health Lands trust issues and establishment of a Mental Health Land Trust Account and creation of a Board of Mental Health to administer the Alaskan Mental Health Lands trust and the Alaskan mental health programs.</p> <p>Gail Moses</p>	Approved	Legislature

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10-85	<p>Home Health Care. Supports the concept of home care as complementary to hospital care and urges insurance carriers to reimburse home based services in the same manner as hospital based services.</p> <p>Susan Callen</p>	Approved	Department of Health and Social Services, Medicare, Medicaid insurance carriers, and State Division of Insurance
11-85	<p>Three Wheelers and Similar All Terrain Vehicles. Urges the passage of legislation requiring the use of helmets for all operators of ATVs; vehicle registration; and mandatory safe driving course for all ATV drivers 16 years old or younger.</p> <p>V. Kay Lahdenpera and Mike Martin</p>	Approved	US Product Safety Commission and Alaska Department of Health and Social Services
12-85	<p>Alaska Rural Health Resource Center. Urges community, regional, state and federal agencies to support designating the Alaska Native Health Board as the Rural Health Resource Center and to support the providing of resources for the Board to facilitate development and delivery of rural health care models for Alaska.</p> <p>Mike Martin</p>	Approved	Community, state, regional, federal health care agencies
13-85	<p>Child Abuse and Sexual Exploitation of Children. Recommends training of day care and school personnel in child and sexual abuse recognition and requiring background checks pertaining to child abuse convictions of all employees working with children.</p> <p>Jackie Pflaum</p>	Approved	Governor, Legislature, health and law agencies
14-85	<p>Health-Life Skills. Recommends an integrated Health-Life Skills course be required for graduation from high school be implemented throughout the state.</p> <p>V. Kay Lahdenpera</p>	Not approved	
15-85	<p>The Winter Olympics in Alaska. Supports holding of the Winter Olympics in Anchorage and supports the endeavors of the Anchorage Organizing Committee in securing selection of Anchorage as a site for the Olympics.</p> <p>Duff Pfanner</p>	Not Approved	Mayor of Anchorage, Executive Director of the Anchorage Organizing Committee

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1-86	<p>Patient Education. Recommends that patient education be an integral part of the patient treatment plan in all patient care facilities throughout the State.</p> <p>The Alaska Health Education Consortium</p>	Approved	Health care and medical providers
2-86	<p>WIC Program Support and Advocacy. Requests ALPHA support of the WIC program; encourages ALPHA members to become advocates for increased WIC services; and advocates for increased funding for the Alaska WIC program.</p> <p>Joan M. Pelto</p>	Approved	Legislature and Alaska Congressional Delegation
3-86 L.B.	<p>Reappointment of Commissioner, Department of Health and Social Services and Director, Division of Public Health. Supports reappointment of these positions.</p> <p>Jeanne Wolf</p> <p style="text-align: right;">*Late Breaker</p>	Approved	All members of the Legislature, both gubernatorial candidates and ALPHA members

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Resolution Number	Title of Resolution and Sponsor	Action	Directed to
1-87	<p>Nuclear-Free Arctic and Subarctic. Endorses efforts to establish a nuclear-free zone in and over Alaska, the arctic, and subarctic to prevent the disposal, testing, production, mining, deployment, transportation, and storage of weapons grade or other environmentally unsafe nuclear materials within Alaska, the arctic and subarctic.</p> <p>George Brenneman</p>	Approved	Governor, Legislature, and AK/WA Congressional Delegation
2-87	<p>Education and Prevention of Fetal Alcohol Syndrome in Alaska. Acknowledges and endorses current efforts to eradicate Fetal Alcohol Syndrome (FAS) and calls for increased and expanded efforts to prevent FAS.</p> <p>Alaska Health Education Consortium and Vicki Hild</p>	Approved	Indian Health Service, regional Native health entities, and State agencies
3-87	<p>Sales Tax on Women, Infants, and Children's Purchases. Requests support for passage of House Bill No. 290 which exempts WIC food purchases from sales taxes.</p> <p>Joan M. Peltó</p>	Approved	Legislature
4-87	<p>Sudden Infant Death Syndrome. Recommends development of statutory requirements which include autopsy performed by a pathologist, according to a standardized protocol for all unexplained infant death and development of a standardized data base of facts surrounding all unexplained infant deaths.</p> <p>Jacqueline Greenman</p>	Approved	Department of Health and Social Services
5-87	<p>Requiring Warning Labels on all Alcoholic Beverages. Advocates that all alcohol beverage containers, packaging and advertizing have mandatory rotating public health warning labels noting the alcohol content and ingredients; the addictive quality of alcohol; the dangers of mixing alcohol with other drugs; and dangers to unborn children when alcohol is consumed during pregnancy.</p> <p>Alaska Native Health Board</p>	Approved	Governor, federal agencies, and the Legislature
6-87	<p>Protest of State Reduction of Health Contract Program Budget Cuts by 12 1/2 to 15 Percent. Protests the decision to reduce all health contract programs without regard for regional health priorities or opinions of rural Alaskans.</p> <p>Alaska Native Health Board</p>	Not Approved	State agencies and the legislature

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7-87	<p>The Growing Problem of Diabetes Mellitus II Among Alaska Natives. Requests that the Congress of the United States, the Indian Health Service and the State of Alaska support the program of diabetes prevention planned and developed by the Alaska Native Health Board and the Alaska Area Native Health Service.</p> <p>Alaska Native Health Board</p>	Approved	Congress, Indian Health Service and State of Alaska
8-87 L.B.	<p>Injury Prevention. Congratulates the House on passage of IIB 167 (mandatory use of safety devices in motor vehicles); urges the Senate to adopt this bill this legislative session and urges the Governor to approve HB 167.</p> <p>Mark Johnson</p> <p>* Late Breaker</p>	Approved	Alaska Senate and Governor

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Resolution Number	Title of Resolution and Sponsor	Action	Directed to
1-88	<p>In Support of Increasing Age of Accessibility to All Tobacco Products. Supports passage of SB 339 which increases the age for accessibility to all tobacco products to 19 years old and make it illegal to sell tobacco products from vending machines to persons under the age of 19.</p>	Approved	Legislature
2-88	<p>Establishment of a "User Fee" on Cigar, Pipe and Smokeless Tobacco. Supports passage of HB 260 (passed by the House) which calls for implementation of a "user fee" for cigar, pipe, and smokeless tobacco (25% of the wholesale price) and use of the approximately \$750,000 generated under this legislation for use in health promotion and health education programs.</p>	Approved	Legislature
3-88	<p>Earthquake and Tsunami Preparedness Education. Recommends that Alaska obtain or develop specific earthquake and tsunami educational materials and programs for workites and homes; obtain or develop materials with practical suggestions and recommended building standards for non-structural as well as structural items; and implement public education around earthquake preparedness.</p> <p>Carl M. Hild</p>	Approved	Governor and Legislature
4-88	<p>Opposition to Plutonium Shipments Under a Proposed United States Agreement with Japan. Opposes ratification of the nuclear cooperation treaty between Japan and the United States because it does not meet the requirements of the U.S. Nuclear Proliferation Law.</p> <p>Lawrence D. Weiss</p>	Approved	Alaska Congressional Delegation, Governor, Legislature, President Reagan, and local media
5-88	<p>Expanding Eligibility for Prenatal Patients. Recommends that Medicaid be expanded to increase the number of women eligible for prenatal care through redefinition of the poverty level, extension of length of coverage, both prenatally and post-natally, and a single eligibility determination during pregnancy.</p> <p>Jan Nichols</p>	Approved	Legislature

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6-88	<p>Maintenance of Immunization Statutes in the State of Alaska. Reaffirms support for current immunization laws and opposes House Bill No. 277 which provides for a philosophical belief exemption of immunization and sets forth requirement for reporting of vaccine-related adverse events.</p> <p>Michael Jones</p>	Approved	Legislature
7-88	<p>Community Based Chronic Care in Rural Alaska. Promotes and supports state and federal funding for regional and home based chronic care and further supports the regional health corporations in their efforts in establishing such programs.</p> <p>Rural Health Issues Committee</p>	Approved	Legislature, Department of Health and Social Services
8-88	<p>Mental Health Care in Rural Alaska. Promotes and supports funding of state and federal mental health programs which focus on the hiring of professional staff residing in the region being served. It further pledges to promote and support the funding of professional mental health training of interested local residents and an active recruitment program for the enrollment of local residents in mental health careers.</p> <p>Rural Health Issues Committee</p>	Approved	Legislature and Department of Health and Social Services

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1-89	<p>Community Health Aide Program Funding. Encourages the Alaska Legislative delegation to support full funding of the Community Health Aide Program (CHAP) at \$28.7 million by introducing legislation to Congress asking for \$16.7 million. Requests that new funding be added as a congressional line item to (CHAP) and encourages Congress to appropriate the \$16.7 million needed to strengthen this critical program.</p> <p>Debra L. Caldera</p>	Approved	Congress and the Alaska delegation
2-89	<p>Access to Health Care for All Alaskans. Commends the Governor, Commissioner of Health and Social Services and the Legislature for leadership in establishing and supporting the work of the governor's Interim Commission of Health Care and urges implementation and funding of recommendations in that report; urges completion of a study on uncompensated care; and recommends that the State focus their solutions on the OBRA Medicaid Options available to all states.</p> <p>Sisters of Providence, Kaaren Johnson and Barbara Symmes</p>	Approved	Governor, Commissioner of Health and social Services, and the Legislature
3-89	<p>State Public Health Policy Development. Promotes the development of a state health policy which would insure basic effective public health services are available to every resident of the state; insure that every resident of the state has access to quality health care at a reasonable cost; and promotes occupational health and environmental quality of the state.</p> <p>Health Issues Committee</p>	Approved	Governor, Legislature
4-89	<p>Waste Management. Recommends that the State take an active role in protecting its residents, visitors, communities, and natural environment through an aggressive waste management program that will include: waste source reduction, recycling of waste, waste treatment, and waste disposal.</p> <p>Carl Hild</p>	Approved	State of Alaska

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5-89	<p>Rural Dental Care. Endorses Rural CAP's needs assessment of dental health in preschool age children in five regions of the state; encourages continuing research into the needs and costs of improved oral health for preschool children; and recommends continued federal support and interagency cooperation in establishing an improved dental health delivery system for preschool age children.</p> <p>Corlis Taylor</p>	Approved	Rural CAP, Indian Health Service, Congress, and preschool agencies

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1-90	<p>Increasing Injury Prevention and Intervention Efforts. Encourages the Court System to require the use of electronic or mechanical devices which prevent operation of a vehicle while intoxicated by repeat offenders; encourages the development of a surveillance system to collect and analyze data on injuries and deaths; supports public education about injury control and prevention; and supports the development and expansion of injury control and prevention programs in state and local health departments.</p> <p>Joan Diamond</p>	Approved	Legislature, Congressional Delegation, and APHA Members
2-90	<p>Establishing Oil Spill Cleanup Training Programs. Encourages the State to establish minimal training standards for petroleum product clean-up; a trained oil response team; and develop guidelines for the training and personal protection requirements for oil spill clean-up workers.</p> <p>Carl Hild</p>	Approved	Legislature, Congressional Delegation, APHA and DPHA Board, Occupational Health Chairs
3-90	<p>Promoting Worker Safety and Health Training. Demands that the State Department of Labor meet its statutory obligations to assure that job specific safety and health programs be provided to all workers in Alaska and urges public and private employers to support, implement, and evaluate worker safety and health education programs.</p> <p>Carl Hild</p>	Approved	Legislature, Alaska Commissioner of Labor, key business leaders
4-90	<p>Increasing Allocations for WIC Program. Urges the Alaska Congressional Delegation and the Alaska State legislature to increase resources to provide services to at risk eligible individuals for WIC.</p> <p>Toni Niesen</p>	Approved	Legislature, Congressional Delegation, APHA Board
5-90	<p>Encouraging Local Taxation of Beverage Alcohol. Supports efforts of local government to consider instituting or expanding taxation of beverage alcohol sales and urges them to use resulting tax revenues to offset the costs of alcohol treatment and prevention programs.</p> <p>Brian Saylor</p>	Approved	Legislature, APHA Board, mayors of affected cities

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6-90	<p>In Appreciation of Commissioner Munson for establishing a Task Force to Develop a Statewide Health Policy. Commends Commissioner Myra M. Munson for her action of establishing the task force that will work toward the improvement of health for all Alaskans.</p> <p>Susan Jones</p>	Approved	Myra Munson, Commissioner of Health and Social Services
7-90	<p>Supporting Early Intervention and Prevention Services to All Alaska Children with Special Developmental Needs and Their Families. Supports the appropriate allocation of resources to meet the needs of Alaska's young children with special development needs and their families.</p> <p>Susan Jones</p>	Approved	Legislature
90-A	<p>Position Paper: Advocating for Organizational Changes in Federal Agency Infrastructure to Support an Arctic Health Research Agenda. Arctic health research is continuing despite significant organizational problems. An accepted research agenda can be successfully pursued by advancing clear organizational and funding changes. ALPHA recommends that changes be implemented by the Federal Government to ensure the conduct of effective and relevant arctic health research for the benefit of all Alaskans and other arctic and sub-arctic people.</p> <p>John Middaugh</p>	Approved	<p>APHA, Interagency Arctic Research Policy Committee, U.S. Arctic Research Commission, U.S. DHSS, CDC, Polar Research Board</p>

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1-91	<p>Teen Pregnancy Prevention. Requests that the Legislature reduce the economic, social, mental, and physical health consequences of teen pregnancy by appropriating funds to implement Alaska's Adolescent Pregnancy and Parenthood Task Force, "Pregnancy Prevention Subcommittee Recommendation", January 1991.</p> <p>Delisa Culpepper, Kaye Lahdenpera</p>	Approved	Legislature and Department of Health and Social Services
2-91	<p>Public Health Nurse Shortage. Solicit public health nursing leadership involvement in policy decisions related to nursing activities; requests funding for competitive salaries for public health nurses; supports efforts by the Department of Health and Social Services and the Section of Nursing to recruit and retain qualified applicants; supports development of increased opportunities for nursing students in public health agencies; and encourages the development of financial incentives to help reduce nursing shortages in underserved communities.</p> <p>Jackie Pflaum</p>	Approved	Legislature, Department of Health and Social Services, and Section of Nursing
3-91	<p>Facing the Challenge that Alcohol Creates in Alaska. Requests the State Legislature reinstate funds in the FY 92 budget for the prevention and treatment of alcohol abuse and alcoholism.</p> <p>Kathy Grosdidier</p>	Approved	Legislature
4-91	<p>Sexually Transmitted Diseases in Alaska. Requests that State and community agencies explore new prevention programs to assist sexually transmitted disease (STD) clients whose conditions are exacerbated by abuse of drugs and alcohol, to practice lower risk behaviors; recommends state support and financing for wide-spread chlamydia screening; recommends a major public education campaign to educate the public and health care policy makers about the dangers, impact, and prevention of STDs; and urges school districts to include STD education within a comprehensive school health education curriculum.</p> <p>Gary L. Bledsoe and Bonnie Long</p>	Approved	Department of Health and Social Services, school districts, and community agencies

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5-91	<p>AIDS and HIV Infection Prevention and Care. Recommends that the State continue to fund at current or increased levels, HIV prevention education efforts; urges agencies and service providers to act now to integrate HIV risk reduction education into all services to at risk populations; urges health and social services providers to encourage early diagnosis and care for at risk individuals by referring clients for voluntary, confidential HIV antibody testing; calls for statewide planning for financing and delivering institutional and home-based care for people with AIDS/HIV to begin immediately; recommends that communities and school districts support comprehensive school health education for all grade levels; and to implement educational programs designed to prevent discrimination or stigmatization of HIV positive individuals or people with AIDS.</p> <p>Wendy S. Craytor</p>	Approved	Legislature, Department of Social Services, school communities, businesses and health and social service agencies.
6-91 L.B.	<p>Resolution in support of the Alaska Science and Technology Foundation. Urges the Alaska executive and legislative branches to support strongly the Alaska Science and Technology Foundation and to continue to fund the Foundation to the maximum extent provided for by the law; urges that funds not be diverted from the Foundation in the future; and commends Alaskans for their vision, leadership, and wisdom in creating the Foundation.</p> <p>*Late Breaker</p>	Approved	Legislature
91-7 L.B.	<p>Prevention of Health Injuries through Helmet-Use Legislation. Supports legislation to require persons under 18 years old to wear full-face helmets while operating or riding as a passenger on a motorcycle or on an off-road vehicle on public land or on a highway; encourages professional organizations to join ALPHA in making helmet use a priority; and calls on Alaska Health Education Consortium to endorse this resolution and promote further use of helmets.</p> <p>*Late Breaker</p>	Approved	Legislature, AHEC, professional organizations.

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1-92	<p>Dental Caries Prevention. Urges Indian Health Service and all tribal groups to develop and implement strong dental prevention programs; encourages collaboration between all health care providers in encouraging clients to practice prevention health measures; encourages IHS and tribal contractors to develop education programs geared to decreasing the consumption of sugar-laden beverages and foods; requests that retailers in bush regions increase the availability of sugar-free beverages and foods in rural Native communities.</p> <p>Joy Klein</p>	Approved	Indian Health Service, Department of Health and Social Services, and rural retailers
2-92	<p>Principles to Evaluate State Health Care Access and Financing Reform. Adopts 13 principles, similar to those adopted by the American Public Health Association, to evaluate proposed state-wide health care access and financing reforms.</p> <p>Lawrence D. Weiss</p>	Approved	Legislature
3-92	<p>Preventing Lead Poisoning in Children. Commends the states efforts to develop and implement an initial lead screening program for children over six months of age; encourages state and local public health officials to monitor the results of the screening and consider expanding the program to all children if a significant number of Medicaid children are identified as having high blood lead levels; and encourages the development of a prevention/intervention program if children in Alaska are found to be at risk for lead poisoning.</p> <p>Mike G. Halko</p>	Approved	Department of Health and Social Services

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1-93	<p>Methyl Tertiary Butyl Ether Use as an Oxygenated Fuel in Alaska. Urges that the oxygenated fuels program not be implemented in Alaska in the winter of 1993-1994; and that a moratorium on the use of MTBE-blended fuels be put into place until such time that scientific studies show that MTBE blended fuels are not harmful to the health of our citizens, and that no penalties or sanctions be imposed on Alaska during the moratorium.</p> <p>Wendy S. Craytor</p>	Approved	Legislature, Alaska Congressional Delegation
2-93	<p>Access to Comprehensive Fertility-Related Services. Supports access to quality fertility-related health services including family planning clinical services, early diagnostic services for pregnancy, supportive pregnancy counseling, provision of unbiased information about all the options available for all Alaskan women; urges dissemination of information about contraceptive methods; ensure convenient access to a variety of clinical services that offer contraceptive methods at the community level; affirms the legal right of women to choose abortion and to have access to affordable, and safe abortion services; urges the government to preserve the legal right of reproductive choice; supports a teenager's access to pregnancy counseling and abortion services without parental notification or consent; supports effective comprehensive health education beginning at the preschool level.</p> <p>Alaska Public Health Association Board of Directors</p>	Approved	Legislature, Department of Health and Social Services
3-93	<p>Fluoridation of Water. Encourages the use of fluoride in community water supplies as a safe and effective means of protecting the oral health of the public.</p> <p>Gordon Glaser</p>	Approved	Legislature, local, regional, and state public health officials
4-93	<p>Bicycle Helmet Use. Requests that the legislature adopt legislation mandating bicycle helmet use; encourages school districts to adopt a mandatory policy of helmet use in all school sanctioned events involving bicycles; and encourages the provision of helmet promotional material at the point of bicycle sales.</p> <p>Gordon Glaser</p>	Approved	Legislature, school districts, and retailers

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5-93	<p>Motorcycle, All Terrain Vehicle (ATV) and Snowmachine Helmet Use. Requests that the legislature adopt legislation mandating helmet use for all riders of motorcycles, ATVs, and snow machines while on public street and roads; encourages school districts to adopt mandatory helmet use on school property and school sanctioned events; and encourages provision of helmet promotional material at points of sale of ATVs, motorcycles, and snowmachines.</p> <p>Gordon Glaser</p>	Approved	Legislature, school districts, and retailers
6-93	<p>Health Care Reform Principles. Adopts advocacy principles to be used in health care reform debate at the state and local level.</p> <p>Lawrence D. Weiss</p>	Approved	Legislature
7-93	<p>Statewide Data Collection of Medical Service Claims Information. Supports the enactment of a mandatory medical service claims information system with a minimum data set as specified by the National Association of Health Data Organization.</p> <p>ALPHA Executive Board</p>	Approved	Legislature and public health officials
8-93	<p>Comprehensive Health Education, Grades K-12. Supports mandated, locally managed, quality, culturally sensitive, sequential, comprehensive health education in grades K-12 of Alaskan schools.</p> <p>The ALPHA Executive Board</p>	Approved	Legislature and policy makers
9-93	<p>Child/Adolescent (Youth) Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance Survey. Supports the implementation of a child/adolescent (youth) behavior risk factor surveillance survey system.</p> <p>The ALPHA Executive Board</p>	Approved	Legislature and state policy makers

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10-93	<p>Public Health Planning Process. Supports efforts by the Legislature and Administration to complete a thorough review of the Alaska public health system, including but not limited to: definition of core public health functions; the distribution of public health services; public input into the desired array and governance of public health services; funding requirements; and necessary revisions to Alaska's public health and safety statutes. Supports activities that encourage cooperation between the legislature and the administration regarding efforts to address financing health care reform and public health reform.</p> <p>Brian L. Saylor</p>	Approved	Legislature and State public health administration
11-93	<p>Augmentative and Alternative Communication Systems. Urges the State to comply with federal mandates and cover augmentative/alternative communication devices that are recommended by physicians, speech pathologists, and audiologists for Medicaid clients.</p> <p>Cynthia Berger</p>	Approved	Legislature, Medicaid officials

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1-94	<p>Victims of Domestic Violence. Urges the State of Alaska to take measures to ensure widespread dissemination of public education about the dynamics of domestic violence and recommends that health care providers understand the risk factors and dynamics of female partner abuse and routinely screen for and intervene in suspected cases of female partner abuse.</p> <p>ALPHA Board of Directors on Behalf of Heather Flynn</p>	Approved	Legislature and Department of Health and Social Services
2-94	<p>Playground Injuries. Supports advocacy groups such as the Alaska Public Interest Research Group and Safe Kids Coalition in their efforts to encourage parents to seek out and report playground hazards caused by nonconformance with United States Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) guidelines on public playground safety and urges the state Legislature to enact legislation to make mandatory the CPSC guidelines for playground construction and design in Alaska.</p> <p>Cate Remme and Gordon Glaser</p>	Approved	Legislature and public health officials
3-94	<p>Injury Prevention. Urges Alaska public health officials and the Legislature to provide state general funds to support injury prevention and injury data collection and analysis programs within the Division of Public Health; and urges Congress to increase federal funding for injury control research, for injury prevention and control grant programs to states and for injury prevention and control programs within the Indian Health Service and tribal contractors.</p> <p>Mark S. Johnson</p>	Approved	State and federal Legislature and public health officials
4-94 L.B.	<p>Adolescent Health ALPHA Resolution. Requests that the State Legislature adopt a clear commitment to the economically sound concept of prevention for adolescents and have this commitment be reflected in the budget.</p> <p>Becky Judd for the Alaska Adolescent Health Advisory Committee</p> <p>* Introduced as a late breaker.</p>	Did not meet the criteria for a late breaker. To be addressed by Health Issues Committee	Legislature