THE ALASKA LEGISLATURE

* HONORING *
* SECOND and THIRD GRADE STUDENTS *
* BUTTE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL *

The Twentieth Alaska State Legislature joins friends, neighbors and families in honoring the students and their instructor for their participation in drafting House Joint Resolution 62.

This resolution came about when Cody McGinn, a third grade student, completed a book report which included a story about Balto, the lead sled dog of the brave team that brought the much needed diphtheria serum to Nome in the mid-1920s. Balto had been stuffed and is now in the Cleveland Museum of Natural History. Under the direction of his instructor, Dwight Homstad, he and the other students in his class wrote letters to the Alaska Legislature requesting assistance in bringing Balto home to Alaska. The students formed a committee and wrote a resolution to bring Balto home and testified before the House and Senate committees.

The students who participated in this, their first, legislative process include:

Second Grade Students  Third Grade Students
Danny Applin  Shannon Abrell  Stephanie Houser
Lisa Beem  Josh Alsterberg  Noah Jackson
Kyle Bovy  Geran Doramus  Kaile Lewis
Ashley Carvalho  Billy Dunham  Katie Piskura
Virginia Homstad  Dolly Hash  Cody McGinn
Mitchel Houser  Will Henslee  Kelsey Tanner
Seina Johndro  
Lucas Secoy  Stacey Whisttine

The Twentieth Alaska State Legislature applauds the efforts of the Butte Elementary students. These students have earned the respect of their classmates, their families and their community.

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