Ak. license plate wins top award

Alaska's 1976 license plate has taken top honors in a nation-wide competition, according to Governor Jay Hammond. The State's new reflective red-on-white vehicle plate has been named as the Outstanding Bicentennial Plate of all the 50 states. Alaska was notified that its new license plate had received the number one award by the Detroit Automobile License Plate Collectors Association in early March.

A brown bear and Alaska's mountains highlight the State's

1976 plates.

Hammond said, "We are very proud to have the Alaska bicentennial license plate receive this honor, and I am happy that it compares so favorably with the 1976 bicentennial plates from all other states."

The new license plate of reflective material was picked after the 1975 Legislature mandated that license plates would be reflectorized in the interest of promoting highway

safety.

In his letter notifying the State of winning the award, Dr. M. K. Sherman, President of the Detroit Automobile License Plate Collectors Association said, "We are very proud of Alaska and I know you are too."