

ASSEMBLY CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 63—ASSEMBLYMEN SEGERBLOM, ANDERSON, ANGLE, ARBERRY, BACHE, BEERS, BERMAN, BROWER, BUCKLEY, CARPENTER, CEGAVSKE, CHOWNING, CLABORN, COLLINS, DE BRAGA, DINI, EVANS, FREEMAN, GIBBONS, GIUNCHIGLIANI, GOLDWATER, GUSTAVSON, HETTRICK, HUMKE, KOIVISTO, LEE, LESLIE, MANENDO, MARVEL, MCCLAIN, MORTENSON, NEIGHBORS, NOLAN, OHRENSCHALL, PARKS, PARNELL, PERKINS, PRICE, THOMAS, TIFFANY, VON TOBEL AND WILLIAMS

MAY 7, 1999

JOINT SPONSORS: SENATORS PORTER, AMODEI, CARE, CARLTON, COFFIN, JACOBSEN, JAMES, MATHEWS, MCGINNESS, NEAL, O'CONNELL, O'DONNELL, RAGGIO, RAWSON, RHOADS, SCHNEIDER, SHAFFER, TITUS, TOWNSEND, WASHINGTON AND WIENER

Read and Adopted

SUMMARY—Memorializes former Assemblywoman Juanita Greer White. (BDR R-1378)

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EXPLANATION – Matter in ***bolded italics*** is new; matter between brackets ~~for omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

ASSEMBLY CONCURRENT RESOLUTION—Memorializing former Assemblywoman Juanita Greer White.

- 1 WHEREAS, On September 18, 1997, the residents of the State of Nevada
- 2 lost a dedicated champion of higher education with the passing of former
- 3 Assemblywoman Juanita Greer White; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Juanita Greer White, who was born in Atlanta, Georgia, on
- 5 November 19, 1905, is said to have baked cakes as a child to help her
- 6 mother with a campaign that eventually gave women the right to vote; and
- 7 WHEREAS, After being refused entry to the Massachusetts Institute of
- 8 Technology because she was a woman, Juanita Greer White applied and
- 9 was accepted to Johns Hopkins University where she earned her doctorate
- 10 in chemistry in 1929; and

1 WHEREAS, After teaching college classes in Virginia, New York,
2 Georgia and Connecticut, Juanita Greer White moved to Southern Nevada
3 with her husband, Thomas Sherman White, M.D., in 1956 and quickly
4 began pursuing her personal goal of enhancing opportunities for higher
5 education; and

6 WHEREAS, The role of Juanita Greer White as a charter member of the
7 Nevada Southern University Land Foundation from 1966 to 1971 helped
8 secure 300 acres for the University of Nevada, Las Vegas, which now
9 includes a life sciences building named in her honor in 1976; and

10 WHEREAS, Juanita Greer White was elected twice to the Board of
11 Regents of the University of Nevada, Las Vegas, serving from 1963 to
12 1971, during which time the University of Nevada, Las Vegas, grew from
13 an extension campus of the University of Nevada, Reno, to a 4-year,
14 degree-granting university and rival of the University of Nevada, Reno; and

15 WHEREAS, The passion of Juanita Greer White in the area of education
16 was also evident by her service on the Western Interstate Commission for
17 Higher Education from 1965 to 1971 and as president of the Nevada State
18 Division of the American Association of University Women from 1963 to
19 1965; and

20 WHEREAS, Juanita Greer White was elected to the Assembly of the
21 Nevada Legislature and served during the 1971 session on the committees
22 on Education, Elections and Health and Welfare; and

23 WHEREAS, Bills and resolutions sponsored by Juanita Greer White
24 during her term in the Assembly included measures to improve public
25 education in the State of Nevada and promote the rights and recognition of
26 women and minorities; and

27 WHEREAS, Juanita Greer White is survived by her daughter, Sally
28 Johnston of Fredericksburg, Texas; now, therefore, be it

29 RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, THE SENATE
30 CONCURRING, That the members of the 70th session of the Nevada
31 Legislature express their deepest sympathy to the family of Juanita Greer
32 White including her daughter, her grandchildren and her great-
33 grandchildren; and be it further

34 RESOLVED, That Juanita Greer White will be remembered as a pioneer
35 of women in the field of science and a strong advocate of higher education
36 who, through personal commitment and hard work, left an indelible mark
37 on public education in the State of Nevada; and be it further

38 RESOLVED, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly prepare and transmit a
39 copy of this resolution to Sally Johnston, the daughter of Juanita Greer
40 White.