

Assembly Resolution No. 7—Assemblymen Dini, Anderson, Angle, Arberry, Bache, Beers, Berman, Brower, Buckley, Carpenter, Cegavske, Chowning, Claborn, Collins, de Braga, Evans, Freeman, Gibbons, Giunchigiani, Goldwater, Gustavson, Hettrick, Humke, Koivisto, Lee, Leslie, Manendo, Marvel, McClain, Mortenson, Neighbors, Nolan, Ohrenschall, Parks, Parnell, Perkins, Price, Segerblom, Thomas, Tiffany, Von Tobel and Williams

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ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION—Commending the staff of the Legislative Counsel Bureau.

WHEREAS, This legislative session is the first session limited to 120 days; and

WHEREAS, The ability to meet this time limitation was dependent upon the development of a comprehensive schedule, the coordination of staff assignments and, ultimately, the participation of each staff member to accomplish in 120 days what had been completed in the longer sessions of the past; and

WHEREAS, After months of gathering ideas, reviewing needs and concerns, and identifying and discussing potential problems, a plan was produced, approved and implemented; and

WHEREAS, The staff of each division and unit of the Legislative Counsel Bureau became involved with the success of this historic session and has met this challenge with unparalleled skill, resourcefulness, energy and, when necessary, humor; and

WHEREAS, In the Administrative Division of the Legislative Counsel Bureau, the staff of the Information Systems Unit and the Media Services Unit successfully brought new technology to the legislative process, the staff of the Buildings Unit, the Grounds Unit and the Janitorial Unit kept the building and its grounds safe and looking their best, and the staff of the Accounting Unit, the General Services Unit, the Legislative Police, the Las Vegas office and the Director's office, and the session staff in the message center, the public bill room, the bill mail room, lobbyist registration and the lobbyist center kept the Legislature functioning smoothly; and

WHEREAS, The staff of the Audit Division continued to provide the Legislature with independent and reliable information about the operations of state agencies, programs, activities and functions by presenting audit reports and by testifying on legislation to promote accountability in state government, and continued to produce their high-quality audits while reviewing all legislation within the new time limitations in a quick and efficient manner; and

WHEREAS, The staff of the Fiscal Analysis Division reviewed the ever-increasing budget, bills related to the budget, and budget amendments within a greatly condensed period, maintaining their usual accuracy and efficiency, reviewed fiscal notes in half the time available in previous sessions, provided staff support for the Taxation Committee and responded

to Legislators' requests for information concerning budgets and taxation promptly and efficiently; and

WHEREAS, The staff of the Legal Division exceeded their high standards by meeting all deadlines for the drafting of bills and amendments, doing more work in less time without sacrificing quality or their meticulous attention to detail, while providing legal advice on the usual wide range of issues to the Legislature and its staff, fully aware that their dedication and long hours were essential to the success of the plan for the 120-day session; and

WHEREAS, The staff of the Research Division, assisted by its Research Library, provided research and analysis of current and proposed public programs and policies, furnished thorough and prompt background information for use in committees and on the floor of the Nevada Assembly, aided committee chairmen by providing administrative and technical assistance in the processing of bills to meet the rigorous scheduling demands established as a result of the condensed session, and responded to an increased number of Legislator and constituent requests in a timely, efficient, and thorough manner despite strict time constraints; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, That the members of the Assembly of the 70th session of the Nevada Legislature do hereby express their sincere appreciation and commend the outstanding staff of the Legislative Counsel Bureau; and be it further

RESOLVED, That May 13, 1999, is hereby designated as Legislative Counsel Bureau Staff Appreciation Day in recognition of the exemplary service provided to the members of the Assembly and to the residents of the State of Nevada; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly prepare and transmit a copy of this resolution to Lorne Malkiewich, Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau.

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