

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 25—Senators Raggio, Amodei, Care, Carlton, Coffin, Jacobsen, James, Mathews, McGinness, Neal, O’Connell, O’Donnell, Porter, Rawson, Rhoads, Schneider, Shaffer, Titus, Townsend, Washington and Wiener

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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION—Congratulating Dr. Wallace S. Broecker for being selected as the recipient of the Nevada Medal given by the Desert Research Institute and sponsored by Nevada Bell Shareholders.

WHEREAS, Scientists have made extraordinary advances in understanding the critical role that ocean currents play in the earth’s climate; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Wallace S. Broecker is renowned for making major contributions to the understanding of climate change and global warming through his research into global ocean currents and ocean chemical cycles; and

WHEREAS, After receiving his Bachelor of Arts Degree from Columbia University in 1953, Dr. Broecker received his Ph.D. from Columbia University in 1958; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Broecker has held professorships at Columbia University throughout his career and is presently the Newberry Professor of Geological Sciences at Columbia University’s Lamont-Doherty Earth Observatory; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Broecker has pioneered techniques in understanding chemical changes in the ocean and atmosphere and is widely acclaimed for his work in paleoclimatology, ocean chemistry, ocean circulation and environmental sciences; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Broecker has been a leading voice warning of the potential danger of increased greenhouse gases in the earth’s atmosphere and has spearheaded efforts to use Biosphere 2 as a laboratory to test the potential effects of greenhouse gases on ecosystems; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Broecker was elected as a member of the National Academy of Sciences in 1979 and has been a member of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences since 1976; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Broecker’s many achievements have garnered him much -deserved praise and have earned him numerous honors and awards, including the prestigious Blue Planet Prize and the nation’s highest scientific award, the National Medal of Science; and

WHEREAS, The Nevada Medal is an honor conferred by the Desert Research Institute of the University and Community College System of Nevada in recognition of outstanding scientific, engineering and technical achievements; and

WHEREAS, The Nevada Medal is sponsored by Nevada Bell, a member of the SBC Corporation and provider of a variety of telecommunication services to Nevada; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Broecker's achievements and continuing contributions in the field of global environmental research have been recognized, and he is being honored this year as the recipient of the Nevada Medal, which includes a \$10,000 prize; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, THE ASSEMBLY CONCURRING, That the members of the 70th session of the Nevada Legislature hereby congratulate Dr. Wallace S. Broecker for being named the recipient of the 1999 Nevada Medal given by the Desert Research Institute; and be it further

RESOLVED, That Nevada Bell is hereby commended for its continued sponsorship of this medal, which offers well-deserved recognition to persons who have demonstrated outstanding scientific, engineering and technical achievements; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Secretary of the Senate prepare and transmit a copy of this resolution to Dr. Wallace S. Broecker.

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