

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 34—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—Memorializing former Assemblyman Marvin Bender Humphrey and his wife, Lucie King Humphrey.

WHEREAS, The members of the 70th Nevada Legislature note with sadness the passing of visionary lawmaker former Assemblyman Marvin Bender Humphrey who died at his Reno residence on November 19, 1998, and also the passing of his wife of 66 years, Lucie King Humphrey, who preceded him in death on July 10, 1998; and

WHEREAS, Marvin Bender Humphrey, the descendent of a pioneer ranching family that dated to the 1849 California Gold Rush was born on September 4, 1909, to Frank E. and Clara (Bender) Humphrey; and

WHEREAS, Marvin Humphrey received his education from Reno schools and graduated from the University of Nevada in 1931 with a Bachelor of Science in agriculture; and

WHEREAS, In 1932 Marvin Humphrey married Lucie King who later became a power in her own right in the Nevada Republican Party and was a perennial GOP National Committeewoman; and

WHEREAS, The business career of Marvin Humphrey included a 30-year partnership with his brother, Frank, in the Humphrey Realty and Investment Company and co-ownership of the Humphrey Meat Packing Company which provided food to combat forces during World War II; and

WHEREAS, Marvin Humphrey served his country as a member of the United States Coast Guard in 1944 and further served the State of Nevada in numerous roles, including a term as Chairman of the Nevada Republican Party and 3 years as Nevada Public Service Commissioner; and

WHEREAS, Further involvement in the community is evidenced by Marvin Humphrey’s membership in such organizations as the Rotary Club of Reno, the Reno Prospectors Club, the Reno Elks Club, the Kerak Temple, the Masonic Lodge and various others; and

WHEREAS, As Chairman of the Washoe Regional Street and Highway Commission for 13 years and Chairman of the Truckee Meadows Urban Transportation Committee, the vision of Marvin Humphrey was most

evident in his efforts to create the Wells Avenue overpass and to complete the McCarran Boulevard project; and

WHEREAS, During his terms as a member of the Nevada Assembly from 1947 to 1952 and again from 1957 to 1960, Marvin Humphrey played a vital role in the enactment of the Nevada Free Port Law which would allow Nevada to store goods in transit without taxation, resulting in economic benefit to the state; and

WHEREAS, Marvin Humphrey is remembered for his organizational skills, his calm management style and his soft-spoken manner which helped provide balance and perspective to discussions that might otherwise have been politicized; and

WHEREAS, Marvin Humphrey's wife of 66 years, Lucie King Humphrey, served the community in her own way as a board member, President and Executive Director of the Sierra Nevada Girl Scouts over a period of 20 years, as a member of the Nevada Historical Society and the Nevada Horticultural Society, as President of the Campus YWCA Advisory Board and as a member of the steering committee for Rancho San Rafael Park; and

WHEREAS, Active for many years in the Republican Party, Lucie Humphrey was appointed to the Washoe County Central Committee in 1948, was a charter member of the Republican Women's Club of Reno, served as President of the Nevada Federation of Women from 1950 to 1953 and held office as a National Committeewoman for the State of Nevada from 1968 to 1980; and

WHEREAS, In recognition of her many accomplishments, Lucie King Humphrey was a recipient of the Distinguished Alumni Award from the University of Nevada, Reno; and

WHEREAS, Marvin and Lucie Humphrey are survived by their children, Joseph Humphrey of Sun Valley, Idaho, Ellen Riley and Sarah White of Reno, and Barbara Redman of Elko; 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 extend their deepest sympathies to the children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren of Marvin and Lucie Humphrey; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the dedication and civic commitment of Marvin and Lucie Humphrey on behalf of the residents of the State of Nevada will be remembered through their legacy of achievements; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Secretary of the Senate prepare and transmit a copy of this resolution to Marvin and Lucie Humphrey's children, Joseph, Ellen, Sarah and Barbara.

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