Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 9–Assemblymen Tiffany, Smith, Berman, Gibbons, Cegavske, Anderson, Angle, Arberry, Bache, Beers, Brower, Brown, Buckley, Carpenter, Chowning, Claborn, Collins, de Braga, Dini, Freeman, Giunchigliani, Goldwater, Gustavson, Hettrick, Humke, Koivisto, Lee, Leslie, Manendo, Marvel, McClain, Mortenson, Neighbors, Nolan, Oceguera, Ohrenschall, Parks, Parnell, Perkins, Price, Von Tobel and Williams

Joint Sponsors: Senators Rawson, Amodei, Care, Carlton, Coffin, Jacobsen, James, Mathews, McGinness, Neal, O'Connell, O'Donnell, Porter, Raggio, Rhoads, Schneider, Shaffer, Titus, Townsend, Washington and Wiener

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ASSEMBLY CONCURRENT RESOLUTION—Commending the National Association of Women in Construction and declaring March 4 through March 10, 2001, as Women in Construction Week in Nevada.

WHEREAS, The National Association of Women in Construction was founded in Fort Worth, Texas, in 1955 and is an international association that promotes and supports the advancement and employment of women in the construction industry and currently serves approximately 6,500 members in more than 200 chapters in the United States and Canada, as well as affiliates in Australia, New Zealand and South Africa; and

WHEREAS, The National Association of Women in Construction Education Foundation offers certification programs, a wide range of publications and training tools, home-study courses, and several programs for children from kindergarten through twelfth grade that introduce students to careers and opportunities in construction in a positive and fun manner while presenting challenges in math, science and design; and

WHEREAS, The Founders' Scholarship Foundation of the National Association of Women in Construction awards scholarships each year to students in college who are pursuing construction-related studies and in the past 5 years has awarded more than \$300,000 in scholarships to both female and male students; and

WHEREAS, The National Association of Women in Construction works in partnership with other industry associations and governmental entities to promote training among women in the skilled trades, to cooperate in educational programs and to promote businesses owned by women; and

WHEREAS, The Crystal Vision Award of the National Association of Women in Construction, according to Susan Levy, founder of the award and past national President of the Association, "identifies and honors the men and women who see beyond the invisible barriers that impede the progress of women, especially in nontraditional fields," and who "demonstrate the courage to act on their vision by gradually breaking down those barriers through policy change, setting precedent and taking risks"; and

WHEREAS, Local chapters of the National Association of Women in Construction are made up of enthusiastic women working in construction who are excited about the industry and translate their enthusiasm into involvement in various community projects; and

WHEREAS, The Las Vegas Chapter, Number 74, chartered in 1964, has presented over \$150,000 in scholarships to students in the Las Vegas area and has more than 60 members who are active in education regarding the construction industry and are working to raise awareness in the community of the role of women in construction; and

WHEREAS, The Sparks Chapter, Number 361, chartered in July of 2000 with 31 members, is beginning their mission by recognizing the need to embrace every opportunity to become a productive association for the Reno-Sparks community; and

WHEREAS, The fourth annual Women in Construction Week, sponsored by the National Association of Women in Construction is scheduled for March 4-10, 2001, and is designed to recognize the strides and contributions women have made in the construction industry, to increase the visibility of women in this industry and to look ahead to further realization of their potential in the future; and

WHEREAS, The theme of this year's Women in Construction Week is "Under Construction...Building for Tomorrow" and was selected to describe the current status of women in the industry, to bring awareness to the need for further advancement and acceptance, and to promote the conviction that women are taking an active role in the industry by helping to build the future; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That the members of the 71st session of the Nevada Legislature do hereby commend the National Association of Women in Construction for its efforts and programs that promote and support the advancement, visibility and pride of women in the construction industry; and be it further

RESOLVED, That March 4 through March 10, 2001, is hereby declared as Women in Construction Week in Nevada; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly prepare and transmit a copy of this resolution to Cindy Crawley, CIT, President of the National Association of Women in Construction, Patricia Jacobs, President of Las Vegas Chapter Number 74 and Anne Thompson, President of Sparks Chapter Number 361.