

ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION NO. 7—ASSEMBLYMEN DINI, ANDERSON, ANGLE, ARBERRY, BACHE, BEERS, BERMAN, BROWER, BROWN, BUCKLEY, CARPENTER, CEGAVSKE, CHOWNING, CLABORN, COLLINS, DE BRAGA, FREEMAN, GIBBONS, GIUNCHIGLIANI, GOLDWATER, GUSTAVSON, HETTRICK, HUMKE, KOIVISTO, LEE, LESLIE, MANENDO, MARVEL, MCCLAIN, MORTENSON, NEIGHBORS, NOLAN, OCEGUERA, OHRENSCHALL, PARKS, PARNELL, PERKINS, PRICE, SMITH, TIFFANY, VON TOBEL AND WILLIAMS

APRIL 2, 2001

Read and Adopted

SUMMARY—Memorializes third-generation Elko County rancher and long-time Nevada Legislator Norman D. Glaser. (BDR R-86)

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

ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION—Memorializing third-generation Elko County rancher and long-time Nevada Legislator Norman D. Glaser.

- 1 WHEREAS, The members of the Nevada Assembly note with sadness
- 2 the passing of long-time Nevada Legislator Norman D. Glaser on
- 3 December 27, 1999; and
- 4 WHEREAS, This native Nevadan was born on April 4, 1921, to Clarence
- 5 and Margaret Kathryn (Layer) Glaser; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Norman Glaser attended the “Little Red School House” in
- 7 Halleck, Nevada, before graduating from Elko High School in 1939 and
- 8 receiving a degree in Agricultural Engineering from Oklahoma State
- 9 University in 1943; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Following his marriage to Nelda Marie Lancaster on
- 11 August 7, 1943, in Oklahoma City, Norman Glaser served as an
- 12 Engineering Officer for the United States Navy in the Pacific during World
- 13 War II; and
- 14 WHEREAS, After completing his service with the Navy, Norman and
- 15 Nelda Glaser returned to the family ranch near Elko where he went into
- 16 partnership with his father and brother, Arthur, and later formed Glaser
- 17 Land and Livestock Company with his brother; and
- 18 WHEREAS, Norman Glaser served as a member of the Elko County
- 19 School Board before being elected to the Nevada State Assembly in 1960;
- 20 and



1 WHEREAS, During his six terms as a State Assemblyman, Norman  
2 Glaser served as Chairman of the Assembly Committees on Ways and  
3 Means and Education, as well as others, and served as Speaker Pro  
4 Tempore during the 1963 and 1965 sessions; and

5 WHEREAS, In 1976, Norman Glaser was elected to the Nevada State  
6 Senate, representing the Northern Nevada Senatorial District, which  
7 included Elko, Eureka, Humboldt and Lander counties; and

8 WHEREAS, Norman Glaser served two terms with the Nevada State  
9 Senate before retiring in 1984; and

10 WHEREAS, During these two Senate terms, Norman Glaser served as  
11 Chairman of the Senate Committees on Taxation and Natural Resources, as  
12 well as being a member of the Senate Finance Committee among others;  
13 and

14 WHEREAS, Norman Glaser was well known as a champion for rural  
15 farmers, including sponsoring the "Greenbelt Amendment" which provided  
16 a tax incentive to preserve rural farms and ranches near sprawling urban  
17 areas; and

18 WHEREAS, Norman Glaser also played a key role in the "Sagebrush  
19 Rebellion" attempt to claim local control over federal lands and he was a  
20 supporter of the notorious "Shovel Brigade," the recent citizens' rebellion  
21 over the South Canyon Road near Jarbidge; and

22 WHEREAS, Norman Glaser was notorious in the Nevada Legislature for  
23 livening up committee meetings by utilizing ranch-life phrases such as  
24 "We've rode over this ground three or four times already," to witnesses  
25 who kept repeating themselves, and "Don't just sit there like a tree full of  
26 owls," to witnesses who remained silent when asked a lot of questions; and

27 WHEREAS, Not only was Norman Glaser a revered and well-respected  
28 Legislator, but his reputation as a rancher is evidenced by the many awards  
29 he received, including Outstanding Young Farmer by the Nevada Jaycees,  
30 Honorary State Farmer by the Future Farmers of America, the  
31 Distinguished Agriculturist Award by the University of Nevada, Reno, and,  
32 in 1992, not only were the Glaser brothers named Nevada's Outstanding  
33 Ranchers, but Glaser Land and Livestock received the Outstanding Ranch  
34 Award; and

35 WHEREAS, In addition to being a successful rancher and respected  
36 Legislator, Norman Glaser also was a member and Chairman of the  
37 Nevada Tax Commission and the State Environmental Commission, served  
38 as Director of the Northeastern Nevada Historical Society, was a life  
39 member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, was Director of the Nevada  
40 Cattlemen's Association, a member of the Rotary Club, President of the  
41 Nevada Farm Bureau, served on the Northern Nevada Community College  
42 Advisory Board and had been a Director of the Elko Senior Citizens'  
43 Center; and

44 WHEREAS, Norman Glaser will long be remembered as a champion for  
45 the rural farmer, a Legislator who was willing to tackle the toughest issues  
46 and a true son of the State of Nevada; and

47 WHEREAS, Norman Glaser is survived by his wife, Nelda, of Halleck,  
48 sons, Steven Glaser, D.D.S., and Brent Glaser, D.V.M., both of Elko,



1 daughter, Sharon Bell of Las Vegas, four grandchildren and two great-  
2 granddaughters; now, therefore, be it

3 RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, That the  
4 members of the Assembly of the 71st session of the Nevada Legislature  
5 mourn the loss of their friend and colleague, a respected Nevada Legislator  
6 and third-generation Nevada rancher, and express their heartfelt sympathy  
7 to the family of Norman Glaser; and be it further

8 RESOLVED, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly prepare and transmit  
9 a copy of this resolution to Nelda Glaser, beloved wife of Norman Glaser.

