Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 42–Senators Titus, Mathews, Amodei, Care, Carlton, Coffin, Jacobsen, James, McGinness, Neal, O'Connell, O'Donnell, Porter, Raggio, Rawson, Rhoads, Schneider, Shaffer, Townsend, Washington and Wiener

Joint Sponsors: Assemblymen Oceguera, Anderson, Angle, Arberry, Bache, Beers, Berman, Brower, Brown, Buckley, Carpenter, Cegavske, Chowning, Claborn, Collins, de Braga, Dini, Freeman, Gibbons, Giunchigliani, Goldwater, Gustavson, Hettrick, Humke, Koivisto, Lee, Leslie, Manendo, Marvel, McClain, Mortenson, Neighbors, Nolan, Ohrenschall, Parks, Parnell, Perkins, Price, Smith, Tiffany, Von Tobel and Williams

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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION—Proclaiming September 15 through September 21, 2001, as Nevada Mediation Week.

WHEREAS, The resolution of disputes can be divisive, costly, timeconsuming and complex when achieved through litigation and formal court proceedings in which parties are adversaries and subject to formalized procedures; and

WHEREAS, Many persons desire alternatives to contentious litigation conducted in the traditional setting of a courtroom; and

WHEREAS, Mediation is a form of alternative dispute resolution that allows each party an opportunity to present his or her side of a dispute and, with the help of a trained, impartial mediator, reach mutually satisfying solutions; and

WHEREAS, Mediation offers an option for businesses, consumers, families, landlords and tenants, neighborhoods and others to resolve conflicts in an expeditious and cost-effective manner, as well as in a manner that may preserve the relationship of the parties; and

WHEREAS, The Mediators of Southern Nevada, Inc., and the Nevada Dispute Resolution Coalition recognize members of their communities for their peace making efforts; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, THE ASSEMBLY CONCURRING, That the members of the 71st session of the Nevada Legislature do hereby proclaim the week of September 15 through September 21, 2001, as Nevada Mediation Week; and be it further

RESOLVED, That this special week be recognized throughout Nevada with celebrations of peace making efforts to remind our residents of the productive and satisfying options that mediation services provide, and to encourage participation in this problem-solving alternative; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Secretary of the Senate prepare and transmit a copy of this resolution to Mediators of Southern Nevada, Inc.