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MAY 15, 2001

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Read and Adopted

SUMMARY—Memorializes prominent Nevada rancher Brooks Park. (BDR R-1325)

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

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION—Memorializing prominent Nevada rancher Brooks Park.

1   WHEREAS, On January 27, 2000, the residents of Nevada were saddened
2   by the loss of Brooks Park, a third-generation Nevadan and patriarch of a
3   prominent Carson Valley ranching family; and
4   WHEREAS, Brooks Park was born in Reno on August 31, 1912, attended
5   Douglas County schools and graduated from the University of Nevada; and
6   WHEREAS, Unity and David Brooks Park journeyed from Canada to
7   Nevada, arriving in Mottsville in 1863, before Nevada became a state, and
8   began ranching in the valley, while running a large dairy operation at Lake
9   Tahoe in the summers; and
10   WHEREAS, Brooks Park, their grandson, carried on the legacy of his
11   pioneering family by prospering and living off the land, passing that legacy
12   on to his children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren; and
13   WHEREAS, In 1896, the Park family purchased Friday's Station, which
14   had served as a stage line for Wells Fargo Express and the Pony Express,

1 and which was known for the finest hunting and fishing in the Lake Tahoe
2 area; and
3   WHEREAS, In 1965, at the site of Friday's Station, Brooks Park had the
4 vision to create Edgewood Tahoe Golf Course, which is now known as a
5 world-class golf course with spectacular views of Lake Tahoe and the
6 surrounding mountains, and which was rated by *Golf Digest* as one of
7 "America's Top 100 Golf Courses"; and
8   WHEREAS, In 1935, Brooks Park formed the Park Cattle Company and
9 continued to expand on his land holdings, becoming the largest property
10 owner in Douglas County; and
11   WHEREAS, In 1937, Brooks Park married Jeanne Cardinal, whom he
12 had known since grade school and who was a descendant of another
13 prominent Nevada family, the Dangbergs; and
14   WHEREAS, In the early 1960s, the Park family leased some of their land
15 at Lake Tahoe, which had been used for grazing cattle and sheep, to several
16 large casinos which remain on that land today; and
17   WHEREAS, The Carson Valley rancher is fondly remembered by his
18 family and friends as a hardworking visionary and environmentalist, with a
19 passionate love for ranching and for the land, who once told one of his
20 grandchildren that the Carson Valley was the "most beautiful place in the
21 world"; and
22   WHEREAS, Bruce Park believes that his father's most endearing
23 qualities were his perseverance, integrity and sense of humor; and
24   WHEREAS, Brooks Park was a devout Catholic and an active member of
25 St. Gall Catholic Church; and
26   WHEREAS, Brooks Park was a very proud family man and will be
27 greatly missed by his wife, 3 children, 14 grandchildren and 12 great-
28 grandchildren; now, therefore, be it
29   RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, THE ASSEMBLY
30 CONCURRING, That the members of the 71st session of the Nevada
31 Legislature and the residents of Nevada offer their heartfelt sympathy and
32 condolences to the family and friends of Brooks Park; and be it further
33   RESOLVED, That the Secretary of the Senate prepare and transmit a copy
34 of this resolution to Jeanne, Brooks' wife of 63 years, and to his children,
35 Bruce Park of Minden, Kay Seeliger of Reno and Jeanne Blach of Elko.

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