

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 8—SENATORS RAGGIO, TITUS, AMODEI, CARE, CARLTON, COFFIN, JACOBSEN, JAMES, MATHEWS, MCGINNESS, NEAL, O’CONNELL, O’DONNELL, PORTER, RAWSON, RHOADS, SCHNEIDER, SHAFFER, TOWNSEND, WASHINGTON AND WIENER

APRIL 2, 2001

Read and Adopted

SUMMARY—Inducts Henry A. Comins into Senate Hall of Fame. (BDR R-1339)

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

SENATE RESOLUTION—Inducting Henry A. Comins into the Senate Hall of Fame.

1 WHEREAS, The Senate of the Legislature of the State of Nevada has
2 established a Senate Hall of Fame whose members are selected by
3 leadership from those past Senators who have served with distinction and
4 who have made exemplary contributions to the State of Nevada; and
5 WHEREAS, A dedicated legislator who served longer than any other
6 nineteenth century legislator, Henry A. Comins represented the residents of
7 White Pine County for 18 years, traveling the considerable distance
8 between Ely and Carson City to serve as an Assemblyman in 1875 and
9 1876 and as a Senator from 1877 through 1880 and from 1889 through
10 1900, leading the Senate as President pro Tempore for the 1891 regular
11 session; and
12 WHEREAS, Even though his party did not control the Senate in 1877,
13 Senator Comins was named chairman of the Senate Committee on Ways
14 and Means that year, his first term as a Senator, and served with distinction
15 on that committee during his entire Senate career, chairing it four
16 additional times; and
17 WHEREAS, A key legislator for the women’s suffrage movement in
18 Nevada, in 1895 Senator Comins sponsored the first bill for a constitutional
19 amendment that would have given women the right to vote, a measure
20 which was approved by both legislative houses that session but failed to
21 receive the required second legislative approval 2 years later; now,
22 therefore, be it
23 RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, That Henry A.
24 Comins, an influential legislative leader in the nineteenth century who
25 helped shape the financial and tax policy of this state, is hereby inducted
26 into the Senate Hall of Fame of the Legislature of the State of Nevada.

