Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 17–Senators Raggio, Amodei, Care, Carlton, Cegavske, Coffin, Hardy, Mathews, McGinness, Neal, Nolan, O'Connell, Rawson, Rhoads, Schneider, Shaffer, Tiffany, Titus, Townsend, Washington and Wiener

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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION—Congratulating Dr. Charles R. Goldman for being selected as the recipient of the Nevada Medal given by the Desert Research Institute and sponsored by SBC.

WHEREAS, Reversing decades of misuse and striving to preserve the pristine quality of Lake Tahoe is of great importance to the residents of the State of Nevada; and

WHEREAS, The recipient of the 2003 Nevada Medal is Dr. Charles Goldman, whose single-most important and sustained contribution is the 44 years he has spent conducting research on Lake Tahoe, which has ultimately increased scientific attention to the plight of the Lake over the past decade; and

WHEREAS, After receiving his Ph.D. from the University of Michigan in Limnology and Fisheries in 1958, Dr. Goldman joined the faculty at the University of California, Davis, where he remains a Professor in the Department of Environmental Science and Policy and serves as Director of the Tahoe Research Group; and

WHEREAS, Through his research, most notably at Lake Tahoe, Castle Lake in California and Lake Baikal in Siberian Russia, Dr. Goldman has proven himself to be an influential and authoritative figure in the science of lakes and other freshwater bodies, what he tirelessly calls "the queen of the ecological sciences"; and

WHEREAS, In 1967, the College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences at the University of California, Davis, established the Tahoe Research Group, headed by Dr. Goldman, in an effort to reverse the deterioration of Lake Tahoe and eliminate the threat to the Lake's future; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Goldman's work recently included development of artificial wetlands and research on alternatives to conventional road salt for de-icing highways, and while continuing to pursue basic research on lake dynamics, Dr. Goldman has also been able to translate his findings directly to state, national and international policy decisions; and

WHEREAS, Among his many prestigious awards, Dr. Goldman was awarded a Senior Postdoctoral Fellowship from the National Science Foundation in 1964, in 1967 the "Goldman Glacier" in Antarctica was named after him, and his most prestigious award to date was received in 1998, the Albert Einstein World Award of Science, awarded annually to a single individual by a group of eminent scientists in recognition of scientific and technological achievements that have advanced scientific understanding and benefited humanity; and

WHEREAS, During his long tenure at the University of California, Davis, Dr. Goldman served as the Chairman of the Division of Environmental Studies from 1988 to 1992, was the founding Director of the Institute of Ecology, serving from 1966 to 1969 and again from 1990 to 1992, and in 1993 Dr. Goldman was chosen as Faculty Research Lecturer, the highest honor for campus faculty; and

WHEREAS, In addition to being recognized for his passion for freshwater research, Dr. Goldman is also known as a valuable mentor to the students at the University of California, Davis, having mentored approximately 90 graduate students and 30 postdoctoral researchers; and

WHEREAS, The Nevada Medal is an honor conferred by the Desert Research Institute of the University and Community College System of Nevada and sponsored by SBC in recognition of outstanding scientific, engineering and technical achievement; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Goldman's continuing contributions to the area of freshwater research, and more specifically his commitment to improving the water quality of one of our greatest natural resources, Lake Tahoe, have been recognized, and he is being honored this year as the recipient of the Nevada Medal; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, THE ASSEMBLY CONCURRING, That the members of the 72nd Session of the Nevada Legislature hereby congratulate Dr. Charles Goldman for being named the recipient of the 2003 Nevada Medal given by the Desert Research Institute; and be it further

RESOLVED, That SBC is hereby commended for its continued sponsorship of this medal, which offers well-deserved recognition to persons who have demonstrated outstanding scientific, engineering and technical achievements; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the residents of Nevada will long be grateful to Dr. Goldman for his efforts and commitment to improving the water quality and beauty of Lake Tahoe; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Secretary of the Senate prepare and transmit a copy of this resolution to Dr. Charles R. Goldman.

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