

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 39—SENATORS RAGGIO, AMODEI, CARE, CARLTON, CEGAVSKE, COFFIN, HARDY, MATHEWS, MCGINNESS, NEAL, NOLAN, O'CONNELL, RAWSON, RHOADS, SCHNEIDER, SHAFFER, TIFFANY, TITUS, TOWNSEND, WASHINGTON AND WIENER

MAY 26, 2003

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JOINT SPONSORS: ASSEMBLYMEN GIBBONS, ANDERSON, ANDONOV, ANGLE, ARBERRY, ATKINSON, BEERS, BROWN, BUCKLEY, CARPENTER, CHOWNING, CHRISTENSEN, CLABORN, COLLINS, CONKLIN, GEDDES, GIUNCHIGLIANI, GOICOECHEA, GOLDWATER, GRADY, GRIFFIN, GUSTAVSON, HARDY, HETTRICK, HORNE, KNECHT, KOIVISTO, LESLIE, MABEY, MANENDO, MARVEL, MCCLAIN, MCCLEARY, MORTENSON, OCEGUERA, OHRENSCHALL, PARKS, PERKINS, PIERCE, SHERER, WEBER AND WILLIAMS

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Read and Adopted

SUMMARY—Memorializes former State Controller Darrel R. Daines. (BDR R-1038)

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

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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION—Memorializing former State Controller Darrel R. Daines.

- 1 WHEREAS, The members of the 72nd Session of the Nevada  
2 Legislature note with sadness the loss on February 1, 2003, of  
3 Darrel R. Daines, the man who was the respected steward of the  
4 finances of the State of Nevada from 1983 to 1999; and  
5 WHEREAS, Darrel Daines was born on October 3, 1922, in  
6 Franklin, Idaho, attended schools in Logan, Utah, and Preston,  
7 Idaho, and began studies at Utah State University where he met his  
8 lovely bride-to-be, Ursula, before enlisting in the Army to serve his  
9 country during World War II; and



1 WHEREAS, After completing his pilot training as part of the  
2 Army Air Corps, Second Lieutenant Daines was assigned in July of  
3 1944 to the Pacific Theater of Operations and flew combat missions  
4 for more than a year, for which he received several decorations; and  
5 was part of the army of occupation following Japan's surrender; and

6 WHEREAS, After leaving the military at the rank of Captain,  
7 Darrel Daines completed his studies at Utah State University and  
8 attended the University of Utah Law School until 1950 when he  
9 became President of the Daines Manufacturing Company; and

10 WHEREAS, In 1964, Darrel Daines began his career as a fiscal  
11 officer in Logan, Utah, where he served 4 years as the Logan City  
12 Auditor; and

13 WHEREAS, In 1968, Darrel Daines moved to Nevada with his  
14 wife Ursula and their four children to accept an auditing position in  
15 the Clark County Recorder's office, where he was so successful that  
16 he soon became a role model for a new governmental office—  
17 County Comptroller—a position that was statutorily created in 1969  
18 and which he held for 14 years in Clark County; and

19 WHEREAS, In 1983, Darrel Daines was inaugurated as State  
20 Controller and held that constitutional office for a record-tying four  
21 terms as the chief fiscal officer of the State of Nevada, during which  
22 time he served as President of the National Association of State  
23 Comptrollers in 1988 and President of the National Association of  
24 State Auditors, Comptrollers and Treasurers in 1995; and

25 WHEREAS, As State Controller, Darrel Daines was a member of  
26 the State Transportation Board and is credited with developing the  
27 financing plan that accelerated the construction of the east leg of the  
28 Las Vegas Expressway through Henderson, the completion of  
29 Highway 395 in Reno and the development of the four-lane divided  
30 highway between Carson City and Minden; and

31 WHEREAS, For 12 of the 16 years that Darrel Daines served as  
32 State Controller, his Office was presented with a Certificate of  
33 Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting from the  
34 Government Finance Officers Association, an award that had not  
35 been won by that Office before Controller Daines took the reins; and

36 WHEREAS, In addition to his long-standing public service,  
37 Darrel Daines dedicated much of his time and energy to community  
38 service, as exemplified by his membership on the Board of the  
39 Nevada Division of the American Cancer Society for 20 years, his  
40 service as its Chairman from 1984 to 1987, and his membership on  
41 the National Board of Directors of the American Cancer Society for  
42 an additional 10 years; and

43 WHEREAS, Darrel Daines was predeceased in 2001 by his loving  
44 wife of 57 years, Ursula, and is survived by his daughter, Judith  
45 Daines Mower of Las Vegas, sons, Alan R. of Colorado Springs,



1 Colorado, and William B. R. and Michael K. of Reno, nine  
2 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren; now, therefore, be it

3 RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, THE  
4 ASSEMBLY CONCURRING, That the members of the 72nd Session of  
5 the Nevada Legislature extend heartfelt sympathy to the family and  
6 friends of Darrel R. Daines; and be it further

7 RESOLVED, That in addition to being a loving family man who  
8 generously volunteered his time to benefit his community, Darrel  
9 Daines will long be remembered for the significant contributions he  
10 made to the State of Nevada during his 16 years as State Controller  
11 and as a member of the State Transportation Board; and be it further

12 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of the Senate prepare and  
13 transmit a copy of this resolution to Judith Daines Mower, Alan R.  
14 Daines, William B. R. Daines and Michael K. Daines, the children  
15 of Darrel R. Daines.

