

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 31—Assemblymen McClain, Allen, Anderson, Angle, Arberry Jr., Atkinson, Buckley, Carpenter, Christensen, Claborn, Conklin, Denis, Gansert, Gerhardt, Giunchigliani, Goicoechea, Grady, Hardy, Hettrick, Hogan, Holcomb, Horne, Kirkpatrick, Koivisto, Leslie, Mabey, Manendo, Marvel, McCleary, Mortenson, Munford, Ocegüera, Ohrenschall, Parks, Parnell, Perkins, Pierce, Seale, Sherer, Sibley, Smith and Weber

Joint Sponsors: Senators Wiener, Amodei, Beers, Care, Carlton, Cegavske, Coffin, Hardy, Heck, Horsford, Lee, Mathews, McGinness, Nolan, Raggio, Rhoads, Schneider, Tiffany, Titus, Townsend and Washington

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ASSEMBLY CONCURRENT RESOLUTION—Recognizing May as Older Americans Month in Nevada.

WHEREAS, In 1963, President John F. Kennedy established the month of May as “Senior Citizens Month,” which was renamed “Older Americans Month” in 1980, and for the past 42 years, May has been designated as the month during which we acknowledge, as a nation, the extraordinary and varied contributions of older Americans living in the United States; and

WHEREAS, Older Americans are among our greatest treasures and provide us with invaluable links to the past as well as counsel for the future as these vital citizens continue to make significant contributions to our communities, through civic leadership and mentoring, and in our homes, by sharing their wisdom and experience; and

WHEREAS, Today, one in six Americans is 60 years of age or older and, of those 44 million people, almost 400,000 reside in Nevada; and

WHEREAS, The United States is in the midst of a boom in the aging population with people living longer and staying healthier and more active much later in life, and this expanding elder population requires our continued commitment to the goal of ensuring that our senior citizens enjoy active, productive and healthy lives, and do so independently, safely and with dignity; and

WHEREAS, This year marks the 40th anniversary of the passage of the Older Americans Act by the United States Congress, and the Administration on Aging, which was established by that Act, has chosen the theme “Celebrate Long-Term Living” to recognize that people are not only adding years to their lives but life to their years; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That the 73rd Session of the Legislature

hereby recognizes May as Older Americans Month in Nevada and pays tribute to the older residents of this State for their many contributions to our country, our State, our communities and our families; and be it further

RESOLVED, That all Nevadans are urged to treat older Americans with the respect they deserve and to recognize the responsibility of each of us to ensure that our senior citizens enjoy active, productive and healthy lives as we celebrate and honor the richness and beauty of their many years lived in service to others.