

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 3—Committee on Elections,
Procedures, Ethics, and Constitutional Amendments

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ASSEMBLY CONCURRENT RESOLUTION—Declaring
February 13 through February 19, 2005, as Career and
Technical Education Week and commending career and
technical education student organizations.

WHEREAS, February 13 to 19, 2005, has been designated Career and Technical Education Week by the Association for Career and Technical Education; and

WHEREAS, Profound economic and technological changes in our society are reflected in the structure and nature of our workforce, thereby placing new and additional responsibilities on our educational system to prepare students with the necessary basic skills to be successful; and

WHEREAS, Career and technical education improves the quality of education by giving secondary and post-secondary students experience in practical, meaningful applications of basic skills; and

WHEREAS, SkillsUSA, a national organization serving more than 264,500 high school and college students and professional members enrolled in training programs in technical, skilled and service occupations, provides quality educational experiences for students in leadership, teamwork, citizenship and character development, builds self-confidence, work attitudes and communications skills in students, emphasizes life-long education and pride in the dignity of work, and promotes understanding of the free enterprise system and involvement in community service activities; and

WHEREAS, The Distributive Education Clubs of America (DECA), has given young people the tools and aptitudes needed to pursue career opportunities in marketing and management and entrepreneurial opportunities; and

WHEREAS, The mission of Future Business Leaders of America—Phi Beta Lambda (FBLA-PBL), a nonprofit education association of students preparing for careers in business and business-related fields, is to bring business and education together in a positive working relationship through innovative leadership and career development programs; and

WHEREAS, The National FFA Organization, formerly Future Farmers of America, has seen millions of students achieve real-world success as it pursues its mission to make a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for leadership, personal growth and career success through agricultural education; and

WHEREAS, Family, Career and Community Leaders of America, Inc., (FCCLA), whose central focus is the family, has promoted personal growth and leadership development through family and consumer sciences education, with over 220,000 members preparing for and choosing careers which will ultimately help achieve global cooperation and harmony; and

WHEREAS, These and other organizations provide young Americans with a school-to-career connection and offer them opportunities to learn new skills which provide them with career choices and personal satisfaction as they become productive members and leaders of their communities; and

WHEREAS, The participants in these organizations become the backbone of a strong, well-educated workforce which fosters productivity in business and industry and contributes to America's leadership in the international marketplace; and

WHEREAS, The ever-increasing cooperative efforts of career and technical educators and business and industry stimulate the growth and vitality of our local economy and that of the entire nation by preparing graduates for careers in fields forecast to experience the largest and fastest growth; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That the 73rd Session of the Nevada Legislature hereby declares February 13 through February 19, 2005, as Career and Technical Education Week; and be it further

RESOLVED, That SkillsUSA, DECA, Future Business Leaders of America—Phi Beta Lambda, the National FFA Organization, Family, Career and Community Leaders of America, Inc., and similar organizations are commended for their decades of fostering personal growth and community leadership among the young people of our country and emphasizing the achievement of excellence in whatever vocation they choose; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly prepare and transmit a copy of this resolution to the Nevada Association for Career and Technical Education, Nevada SkillsUSA, Nevada DECA, Inc., Nevada FBLA-PBL, the Nevada FFA Association, the Nevada Association FCCLA and the Department of Education.