

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 34—SENATORS RAGGIO, AMODEI, BEERS, CARE, CARLTON, CEGAVSKE, COFFIN, HARDY, HECK, HORSFORD, LEE, MATHEWS, MCGINNESS, NOLAN, RHOADS, SCHNEIDER, TIFFANY, TITUS, TOWNSEND, WASHINGTON AND WIENER

MAY 10, 2005

JOINT SPONSORS: ASSEMBLYMEN MARVEL, 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, McCCLAIN, McCLEARY, MORTENSON, MUNFORD, OCEGUERA, OHRENSCHALL, PARKS, PARRELL, PERKINS, PIERCE, SEALE, SHERER, SIBLEY, SMITH AND WEBER

Read and Adopted

SUMMARY—Memorializes Jackalyn Ross Laxalt, former First Lady of Nevada. (BDR R-465)

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

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION—Memorializing Jackalyn Ross Laxalt, former First Lady of the State of Nevada.

1 WHEREAS, The members of the 73rd Session of the Nevada
2 Legislature note with sadness the passing of Jackalyn Ross Laxalt
3 on July 17, 2004; and

4 WHEREAS, A true Nevadan, Jackalyn Ross was born to
5 Margaret Burns Ross and the Honorable John R. Ross in Yerington,
6 Nevada, on January 31, 1927, was raised in Carson City and
7 attended the University of Nevada, Reno; and

8 WHEREAS, Jackalyn married Paul Laxalt in 1946 and, 20 years
9 later, became Nevada's First Lady when Paul was elected Governor
10 of the State; and



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1 WHEREAS, Along with lovingly tending their family of six
2 children and performing all the duties expected of the Governor's
3 wife, Jackalyn took on the daunting task of overseeing the
4 refurbishing and remodeling of the Governor's Mansion during the
5 4 years that the Laxalts, the largest family to occupy the Mansion,
6 lived there; and

7 WHEREAS, After her service as Nevada's First Lady, Jackalyn
8 Ross Laxalt spent many years working as a substance abuse
9 counselor in Arizona and Nevada; and

10 WHEREAS, Jackalyn Ross Laxalt is survived by her children,
11 Gail Laxalt Johnson of Denver, Colorado, Sheila Laxalt Lokan of
12 Milwaukie, Oregon, John Paul Laxalt of Carson City, Michelle
13 Laxalt of Alexandria, Virginia, Dr. Kevin Marie Laxalt of Greeley,
14 Colorado, and Kathleen "Neena" Laxalt of Reno, 12 grandchildren,
15 a great granddaughter and her brother, John Tom Ross of Carson
16 City; now, therefore, be it

17 RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, THE
18 ASSEMBLY CONCURRING, That the members of the 73rd Session of
19 the Nevada Legislature extend their condolences to the beloved
20 family and many friends of Jackalyn Ross Laxalt; and be it further

21 RESOLVED, That Jackalyn Ross Laxalt will be remembered for
22 her warmth, her sense of humor and her love of her family and
23 Nevada, and her radiant smile will be missed by all who knew her;
24 and be it further

25 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of the Senate prepare
26 and transmit a copy of this resolution to the children of
27 Jackalyn Ross Laxalt.

