

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4—SENATORS AMODEI, BEERS, CARE, CARLTON, CEGAVSKE, COFFIN, HARDY, HECK, HORSFORD, LEE, MATHEWS, MCGINNESS, NOLAN, RAGGIO, RHOADS, SCHNEIDER, TIFFANY, TITUS, TOWNSEND, WASHINGTON AND WIENER

FEBRUARY 17, 2005

JOINT SPONSORS: ASSEMBLYMEN ANDERSON, ALLEN, ARBERRY JR., ATKINSON, BUCKLEY, CARPENTER, CHRISTENSEN, CLABORN, CONKLIN, DENIS, GANSERT, GOICOECHEA, GRADY, HARDY, HETTRICK, HOGAN, HOLCOMB, HORNE, MABEY, MANENDO, MARVEL, MCCLEARY, MORTENSON, MUNFORD, OCEGUERA, OHRENSCHALL, PARKS, PARNELL, PERKINS, SEALE, SHERER AND SIBLEY

Read and Adopted

SUMMARY—Designates February 17, 2005, as E Clampus Vitus Day at Nevada Legislature. (BDR R-1082)

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

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION—Designating February 17, 2005, as E Clampus Vitus Day at the Nevada Legislature.

- 1 WHEREAS, It has come to the attention of the Nevada
2 Legislature that the Ancient and Honorable Order of E Clampus
3 Vitus has maintained its honorable status throughout the known
4 world and especially in this great State of Nevada; and
5 WHEREAS, The Ancient and Honorable and Exceedingly Humble
6 Order of E Clampus Vitus has survived the test of time to become
7 one of the longest surviving brotherhoods of men that continue to
8 fulfill a fundamental need in providing protection and kindness
9 while advancing the noble cause of Clamperdom to residents of the
10 Silver State, especially all the “widders” and orphans, and
11 descendants of the Argonauts; and



1 WHEREAS, The Honorable Order of E Clampus Vitus was
2 founded in West Virginia in 1845 by Ephram Bee, owner of a tavern
3 on the National Road, and shortly thereafter the warmhearted
4 brothers affectionately became known as the "Clampin Vipers"; and

5 WHEREAS, In 1860, William Stewart founded the first Ancient
6 and Honorable Order of E Clampus Vitus, Winnemucca Lodge #1,
7 in the Utah Territory, in the unsuspecting peaceful town known as
8 Carson City; and

9 WHEREAS, The creed of the Clamproctors, yesterday, as well as
10 today, is "to protect the 'widders' and orphans, and MAINLY the
11 'widders'"; and

12 WHEREAS, The State of Nevada is proud to continue the tradition
13 of 160 years of devoted service with the Nevada chapters, which
14 now include the Snowshoe Thompson Chapter of Douglas County,
15 the Julia C. Bulette Chapter of the Comstock, the Lucinda Jane
16 Saunders Chapter of Elko County and the Queho Chapter of Clark
17 County; and

18 WHEREAS, It is an honor and privilege to recognize one of our
19 fellow Clamproctors, Harold "Sonny" Marshall, as the Sublime
20 Noble Grand Humbug of The Honorable Order of E Clampus Vitus;
21 and

22 WHEREAS, While tradition and revelry will continue, the
23 members of this body were deeply saddened to learn of the passing
24 of our fallen brothers who have gone on to the Silver Hills and
25 Golden Hills and whose long-standing participation in the activities
26 of this Ancient and Honorable Order will be sorely missed; now,
27 therefore, be it

28 RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, THE
29 ASSEMBLY CONCURRING, That the members of the 73rd Session of
30 the Nevada Legislature, of whom many are proud members of E
31 Clampus Vitus, do hereby declare February 17, 2005, as E Clampus
32 Vitus Day at the Nevada Legislature, a day to be marked by
33 appropriate revelry and thanksgiving; and be it further

34 RESOLVED, That the Ancient and Honorable Order of E Clampus
35 Vitus is praised and commended for its contributions to mankind
36 and others, and recognized as an illustrious group of Clampers,
37 Clampatrious, Vituscans and Frolicking Friars who must continue to
38 serve and protect the residents of the Silver State; and be it further

39 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of the Senate prepare and transmit
40 a copy of this resolution to Clamp Patriarchs, Peter Van Alstyne and
41 Jerry Robich.

