

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

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

WHEREAS, It has come to the attention of the Nevada Legislature that the Ancient and Honorable Order of E Clampus Vitus has maintained its honorable status throughout the known world and especially in this great State of Nevada; and

WHEREAS, The Ancient and Honorable and Exceedingly Humble Order of E Clampus Vitus has survived the test of time to become one of the longest surviving brotherhoods of men that continue to fulfill a fundamental need in providing protection and kindness while advancing the noble cause of Clamperdom to residents of the Silver State, especially all the “widders” and orphans, and descendants of the Argonauts; and

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

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

WHEREAS, The creed of the Clamproctors, yesterday, as well as today, is “to protect the ‘widders’ and orphans, and MAINLY the ‘widders’”; and

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

WHEREAS, It is an honor and privilege to recognize one of our fellow Clamproctors, Harold “Sonny” Marshall, as the Sublime

Noble Grand Humbug of The Honorable Order of E Clampus Vitus;
and

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

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

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

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