

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 25—Assemblymen Christensen, Allen, Anderson, Arberry, Atkinson, Beers, Bobzien, Buckley, Carpenter, Claborn, Cobb, Conklin, Denis, Gansert, Gerhardt, Goedhart, Goicoechea, Grady, Hardy, Hogan, Horne, Kihuen, Kirkpatrick, Koivisto, Leslie, Mabey, Manendo, Marvel, McClain, Mortenson, Munford, Ocegüera, Ohrenschall, Parks, Parnell, Pierce, Segerblom, Settelmeyer, Smith, Stewart, Weber and Womack

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

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ASSEMBLY CONCURRENT RESOLUTION—Urging Nevadans to participate in activities concerning family preparedness in case of emergency.

WHEREAS, Every citizen in this country is part of a national emergency management system that is about protecting people and property from all types of hazards, yet citizens have a responsibility to protect themselves and their families by knowing what to do before, during and after an event; and

WHEREAS, When a disaster strikes, time is of the essence, and while local, state and federal governmental entities will be there to help, it is important that families are prepared to respond as well, whether to help themselves or others; and

WHEREAS, Not only should the residents of the State of Nevada be prepared to respond to natural disasters, such as earthquakes, flood, fires and extreme weather, they should be prepared in the case of acts of terrorism or technological hazards; and

WHEREAS, In a recent national survey conducted by the Ad Council, 91 percent of Americans agreed that taking some simple steps to prepare could help protect them and their families in the event of an emergency, but only 55 percent had taken at least one of the steps recommended to do so; and

WHEREAS, Such steps include knowing the hazards that affect your local area, developing appropriate family emergency plans and assembling a disaster supplies kit, and it is also recommended to learn the emergency plans of places you frequent, such as work and schools, and volunteer with local disaster response agencies; and



WHEREAS, It is also important to remember the more vulnerable during such emergencies, including children, the elderly, persons with disabilities and family pets; and

WHEREAS, There are numerous resources available to families to assist them in preparing for emergencies, including Nevada's Preparedness Plan, issued by the Nevada Commission on Homeland Security, as well as plans developed by the United States Department of Homeland Security, the Federal Emergency Management Agency and the American Red Cross; and

WHEREAS, It is important that all Nevadans take some time out of their busy lives to make use of these resources to ensure the safety of their families and pets and others in case of an emergency; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That the Nevada Legislature urges the citizens of this State to take some time with their families to identify the hazards in their local area, to develop a family emergency plan and to create an emergency supplies kit; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly prepare and transmit a copy of this resolution to the Nevada Commission on Homeland Security, the State Emergency Response Commission, and both the Southern Nevada and Northern Nevada Chapters of the American Red Cross.

