

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 20—Senators Raggio, Amodei, Beers, Care, Carlton, Cegavske, Coffin, Hardy, Heck, Horsford, Lee, Mathews, McGinness, Nolan, Rhoads, Schneider, Titus, Townsend, Washington, Wiener and Woodhouse

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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION—Commending Father Jerry Hanley in honor of his retirement after 30 years of service with the St. Teresa of Avila Catholic Community in Carson City.

WHEREAS, The end of an era for the St. Teresa of Avila Catholic Community in Carson City will occur on July 1, 2007, as Father Jerry Hanley retires after 30 years of service at the parish; and

WHEREAS, Born on October 16, 1936, Father Jerry grew up in Detroit, Michigan, worked as a steel sales engineer, and witnessed the destruction and rioting which plagued his city during the 1960s as a result of the social injustices suffered by many; and

WHEREAS, According to Father Jerry, his involvement in many social justice areas ultimately led to his decision to become a priest, and, at 32 years of age, he entered Blessed John XXIII National Seminary in Boston, Massachusetts; and

WHEREAS, In 1973, Father Jerry was ordained at St. Rita Parish, his home parish in Detroit, and was first assigned to serve at Our Lady of Las Vegas Catholic Church and St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church, both in Las Vegas, before coming to Carson City in 1977; and

WHEREAS, During the 30 years that Father Jerry has served as shepherd at St. Teresa's, he has performed hundreds of weddings, funerals and baptisms, has cherished ecumenical friendships with pastors of churches from other denominations in the area, and is proud of his roles in forming with two other local churches Friends in Service Helping, in founding the Community Counseling Center with the late Pat Bates, and most recently, in overseeing a 6-year



process of planning and building the new St. Teresa of Avila Catholic Community Church on Lompa Lane in Carson City; and

WHEREAS, Father Jerry has made a tremendous impact not only on the Catholic community at St. Teresa's as a gifted preacher and a leader who has built a strong sense of community among his parishioners, but on the entire community of Carson City, as well, by cofounding programs to help the needy and persons with drug and alcohol problems, an impetus that can be traced to the riots and martial law that he witnessed in Detroit during the 1960s; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, THE ASSEMBLY CONCURRING, That the members of the 74th Session of the Nevada Legislature hereby commend and congratulate Father Jerry Hanley on his retirement after 30 years of service at St. Teresa's and wish him continued happiness as he begins a new chapter of his life; and be it further

RESOLVED, That Father Jerry will be truly missed by his family at St. Teresa's but will never be forgotten by the residents of Carson City, a small city in Nevada that he will call home during his retirement; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Secretary of the Senate prepare and transmit a copy of this resolution to Father Jerry Hanley in honor of his retirement.

