

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 21—SENATORS RAGGIO, AMODEI, BEERS, CARE, CARLTON, CEGAVSKE, COFFIN, HARDY, HECK, HORSFORD, LEE, MATHEWS, MCGINNESS, NOLAN, RHOADS, SCHNEIDER, TITUS, TOWNSEND, WASHINGTON, WIENER AND WOODHOUSE

APRIL 5, 2007

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Read and Adopted

SUMMARY—Memorializes former Assemblyman James E. Wood. (BDR R-44)

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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 former Assemblyman James E. Wood.

1 WHEREAS, The members of the Nevada Legislature note with  
2 sadness the passing of former Assemblyman James E. Wood, who  
3 died at the age of 91 on September 27, 2005; and

4 WHEREAS, Born to Hyrum and Bertha Wood on August 27,  
5 1914, James Wood was one of eight children and spent his  
6 childhood in Ryndon, Nevada, a railroad work camp located about  
7 14 miles east of Elko, where he received his elementary education in  
8 a one-room schoolhouse; and

9 WHEREAS, James Wood developed his musical talent and honed  
10 his leadership abilities during his years at Elko High School, and  
11 after graduation in 1932, he married his high school sweetheart,



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1 Helen Brown, who moved with him to California where James  
2 worked as a bus driver for Pacific Greyhound Lines; and

3 WHEREAS, A promotion to dispatcher and later to terminal  
4 manager in Reno brought James back to Nevada where, in 1947, he  
5 purchased highway transportation rights from the Virginia &  
6 Truckee Railroad and began a bus service in Nevada that eventually  
7 grew to include charter and casino bus tours to Nevada from the San  
8 Francisco Bay Area; and

9 WHEREAS, While profitably engaged in running a business that  
10 benefited the economy of Nevada, James Wood also served the  
11 State as an Assemblyman for six regular and six special sessions  
12 during the years from 1953 to 1970 and used his business expertise  
13 as a member of various committees, including those dealing with  
14 transportation, aviation, banking, taxation and economic  
15 development; and

16 WHEREAS, Always willing to do even more for his community  
17 and Nevada, James was active in numerous clubs and organizations,  
18 including Prospectors, Toastmasters, Rotary, Chamber of  
19 Commerce, Elks, Masonic Lodge and Navy League, among others,  
20 and was a founding member of the Reno National Air Races  
21 Committee; and

22 WHEREAS, A loving husband and father, James is survived by  
23 Gwen, his wife of 38 years, his brother Fred, sister Della, sons Bob  
24 and Larry, grandchildren and great-grandchildren; now, therefore,  
25 be it

26 RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, THE  
27 ASSEMBLY CONCURRING, That sincere condolences are extended to  
28 the family and friends of James E. Wood; and be it further

29 RESOLVED, That the entrepreneurial spirit and boundless energy  
30 of James Wood will be remembered with gratitude by all the  
31 residents of Nevada whose lives he touched with his friendship,  
32 leadership and dedicated service; and be it further

33 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of the Senate prepare and  
34 transmit a copy of this resolution to Gwen, the loving wife and  
35 partner of James Wood.

