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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION—Memorializing former Assemblyman James E. Wood.

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

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

WHEREAS, James Wood developed his musical talent and honed his leadership abilities during his years at Elko High School, and after graduation in 1932, he married his high school sweetheart, Helen Brown, who moved with him to California where James worked as a bus driver for Pacific Greyhound Lines; and

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

WHEREAS, While profitably engaged in running a business that benefited the economy of Nevada, James Wood also served the State as an Assemblyman for six regular and six special sessions during the years from 1953 to 1970 and used his business expertise as a member of various committees, including those dealing with



transportation, aviation, banking, taxation and economic development; and

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

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

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

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

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

