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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION—Memorializing former district judge Paul C. Parraguirre.

WHEREAS, The legal community of Nevada lost an ardent litigator and leader with the death of Paul C. Parraguirre on December 26, 2005; and

WHEREAS, Descended from Basque sheepherders who emigrated from Extalar, Spain, in the 1870s, Paul Parraguirre was a third-generation Nevadan born in Gardnerville on December 13, 1923; and

WHEREAS, Paul Parraguirre earned his law degree from the University of Denver School of Law on the same day in 1954 as his brothers, David and Lorin, and all three were admitted to the Nevada Bar on December 31, 1956; and

WHEREAS, Paul's experience as a Nevada deputy attorney general and a chief deputy district attorney for Clark County, as well as his successful private practice, caught the attention of Governor Bob Miller who appointed him to the Fifth Judicial District Court bench in Tonopah to finish out the term of retiring district judge William Beko; and

WHEREAS, Paul Parraguirre was chosen to serve as President of the State Bar of Nevada and as a trustee of the Nevada Law Foundation, and his professionalism, civility and collegiality earned him a fellowship in the American College of Trial Lawyers and induction into the American Board of Trial Advocates; and

WHEREAS, The practice of law was not the entire life of Paul Parraguirre who was a pilot and served his country as a captain in



the Nevada Air National Guard until the early 1970s, and who also enjoyed hunting and fishing whenever he had the opportunity; and

WHEREAS, Active in the Basque community, Paul Parraguirre, along with other notable Nevadans of Basque descent, was part of the organizing committee for the first Western Basque Festival held in 1959 and was honored for that contribution during the North American Basque Organization convention held in Reno in 1999; and

WHEREAS, Paul C. Parraguirre's first passion was his family, and he is survived by his wife Iris, sons Ron and Paul R., daughter Kathy and grandchildren; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, THE ASSEMBLY CONCURRING, That the members of the 74th Legislature offer their deepest condolences to the beloved family of Paul C. Parraguirre; and be it further

RESOLVED, That Paul's high standards of ethical conduct, his passion for the law and his reputation as a consummate gentleman will continue to be an inspiration for all those who practice law in the State of Nevada; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Secretary of the Senate prepare and transmit a copy of this resolution to Paul's lifelong companion, his wife Iris.

