

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 29—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—Recognizing Matthew Cummings as the 2006 Children’s Miracle Network Miracle Child for Nevada.

WHEREAS, Each year a child is selected from each state in the United States and each province and territory in Canada to bring attention to the 17 million children treated by Children’s Miracle Network hospitals for every disease and injury imaginable; and

WHEREAS, Matthew Cummings was chosen as the 2006 Children’s Miracle Network Miracle Child for Nevada; and

WHEREAS, The Champions Across America program honors these remarkable children who have triumphed despite severe medical challenges, and the selected children act as ambassadors, meeting local and national leaders, and participating in the national television production of the “Children’s Miracle Network Celebration” at Walt Disney World; and

WHEREAS, When Matthew first became ill at age 3, his family thought that he had the flu, but a few hours later, he was fighting for his life as doctors worked to contain a severe brain hemorrhage; and

WHEREAS, Matthew was diagnosed with arteriovenous malformation, an abnormal tangle of blood vessels in the left frontal lobe of his brain, which caused the hemorrhage, and after brain surgery by Dr. Michael Song at Renown Regional Medical Center, a Children’s Miracle Network hospital, Matthew fought through every complication that followed and made a remarkable recovery; and

WHEREAS, When Matthew returned to school, he was greeted not only by a “welcome back” party, but his classmates were



wearing bike helmets to make him feel right at home wearing his protective helmet; and

WHEREAS, Matthew, as talkative and adventurous as ever, is enjoying his life watching Power Rangers, racing around on his scooter and playing with his older brother Christopher; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, THE ASSEMBLY CONCURRING, That the members of the Nevada Legislature do hereby recognize Matthew Cummings as the 2006 Children's Miracle Network Miracle Child for Nevada; and be it further

RESOLVED, That Renown Regional Medical Center selected Matthew for this honor because of the courage, hope and tenacity that he demonstrated during his diagnosis and treatment; and be it further

RESOLVED, That in appreciation for all that has been done for millions of children over the years, the residents of Nevada are urged to show their support for the Children's Miracle Network and the nonprofit children's hospitals that depend on communities to help fund the vital services they offer to brave children everywhere; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Secretary of the Senate prepare and transmit a copy of this resolution to Matthew Cummings.

