

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 31—SENATORS AMODEI,
BEERS, CARE, CARLTON, CEGAVSKE, COFFIN, HARDY,
HECK, HORSFORD, LEE, MATHEWS, MCGINNESS, NOLAN,
RAGGIO, RHODS, SCHNEIDER, TITUS, TOWNSEND,
WASHINGTON, WIENER AND WOODHOUSE

MAY 8, 2007

JOINT SPONSORS: ASSEMBLYMEN GRADY; ALLEN, ANDERSON,
ARBERRY, ATKINSON, BEERS, BOBZIEN, BUCKLEY,
CARPENTER, CHRISTENSEN, CLABORN, COBB, CONKLIN,
DENIS, GANSERT, GERHARDT, GOEDHART, GOICOECHEA,
HARDY, HOGAN, HORNE, KIHUEN, KIRKPATRICK,
KOIVISTO, LESLIE, MABEY, MANENDO, MARVEL,
MCCLAIN, MORTENSON, MUNFORD, OCEGUERA,
OHRENSCHALL, PARKS, PARNELL, PIERCE, SEGERBLUM,
SETTELMAYER, SMITH, STEWART, WEBER AND WOMACK

Read and Adopted

SUMMARY—Memorializes JohnD Nevers Winters.
(BDR R-1480)

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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 JohnD
Nevers Winters.

- 1 WHEREAS, The members of the Nevada Legislature note with
2 sadness the passing of JohnD Nevers Winters, long-time
3 philanthropist, water resources conservation activist and fourth-
4 generation Nevadan, on March 30, 2007, at the age of 97; and
5 WHEREAS, JohnD Nevers Winters was born in Carson City to
6 long-time legislator Ira Winters and his wife Mary Kearney Winters,
7 on May 18, 1909, attended school in the state capital and graduated
8 from the University of Nevada in Reno in 1932; and
9 WHEREAS, After attending the University, he worked for the
10 Nevada State Highway Department in 1932-1933 and was an agent
11 for the Soil Conservation Services of the United States Department



1 of Agriculture before joining the family business, Sanitary Dairy, in
2 Carson City with his parents; and

3 WHEREAS, Following the death of his parents, he ranched in
4 Carson City and Washoe Valley, where his great grandfather John
5 Devers Winters had settled in 1857, later purchased ranches in
6 Dayton Valley in the 1950s, including the Ophir Mill Ranch, and
7 relocated to the Santa Maria Ranch in 1965 after selling the family
8 home just west of the Governor's Mansion in Carson City; and

9 WHEREAS, JohnD Winters was a noted proponent of water
10 resources conservation, had long been an advocate of water storage
11 on the Carson River, and served on both the Carson-Truckee Water
12 Conservancy District Board of Directors and the California-Nevada
13 Interstate Compact Commission; and

14 WHEREAS, He was a member of the Rotary Club of Carson City
15 from 1945 to 1965, helped establish the Carson-Tahoe Hospital and
16 served as a board member, participated as a rider in the centennial
17 reenactment of the Pony Express in 1960, cochaired the Native
18 Nevadans Committee of the Nevada Centennial in 1964 and was
19 named Grand Marshal of the Nevada Day Parade in 1995; and

20 WHEREAS, JohnD Winters strongly believed in education and
21 recreation and gave land to the Ormsby County School District to
22 build a new high school in the 1950s, donated land to Carson City
23 which was developed into the Eagle Valley Golf Course and the
24 nearby Centennial Park, renamed JohnD Winters Centennial Park in
25 2006, and served as a Western Nevada Community College
26 advisory board member; now, therefore, be it

27 RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, THE
28 ASSEMBLY CONCURRING, That the members of the 74th Session of
29 the Nevada Legislature do hereby express their sincere condolences
30 to the family and friends of JohnD Winters; and be it further

31 RESOLVED, That JohnD Winters be remembered as a pioneer
32 son who shaped the face of western Nevada through his civic
33 engagement and generous donations, and left us a tangible legacy of
34 his faith in the future of the Silver State; and be it further

35 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of the Senate prepare and
36 transmit a copy of this resolution to Kay, the loving wife of JohnD
37 Nevers Winters.

