

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 39—Senators Washington, Amodei, Beers, Care, Carlton, Cegavske, Coffin, Hardy, Heck, Horsford, Lee, Mathews, McGinness, Nolan, Raggio, Rhoads, Schneider, Titus, Townsend, Wiener and Woodhouse

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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION—Urging support of the American Stroke Association’s “Power to End Stroke” campaign.

WHEREAS, Stroke is the third leading cause of death in the United States, striking about 700,000 Americans each year and killing 150,000; and

WHEREAS, Stroke is also a leading cause of serious long-term disability in the United States with more than 1.1 million adults experiencing functional limitations or difficulty with activities of daily living resulting from a stroke; and

WHEREAS, On the average, a stroke occurs every 45 seconds in the United States and takes a life every 3 minutes; and

WHEREAS, The estimated direct and indirect costs of stroke in the United States this year will be over \$62 billion; and

WHEREAS, The majority of Americans are neither aware of their risk factors for a stroke nor are they aware of the signs and symptoms of an impending stroke; and

WHEREAS, According to statistics, African Americans have almost twice the risk of first-ever stroke compared to Caucasians mainly because of their increased risk for hypertension, high cholesterol and diabetes; and

WHEREAS, The American Stroke Association recently launched the “Power to End Stroke” campaign, the goal of which is to educate and empower African Americans, as well as those of other ethnic groups, to fight stroke in their communities; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, THE ASSEMBLY CONCURRING, That the Nevada Legislature hereby



urges all residents of this State to recognize that stroke is a health battle that must be taken seriously in order to reduce its risks; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Legislature further urges all Nevadans to support the American Stroke Association's "Power to End Stroke" campaign by encouraging members of our communities to become familiar with the warning signs, symptoms and risk factors associated with a stroke in an effort to create a movement to help each other live stronger, healthier lives; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Secretary of the Senate prepare and transmit a copy of this resolution to the Western States Affiliate of the American Heart Association and the Chronic Disease Section of the Health Division of the Nevada Department of Health and Human Services.

