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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION—Recognizing December 1, 2007, as World AIDS Day.

WHEREAS, Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome, AIDS, is perhaps the most serious public health problem of our time; and

WHEREAS, Approximately 39.5 million people in the world are infected with the Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV), the virus that causes AIDS, over 25 million people have been lost to AIDS so far, and, in 2006, 4.3 million people have become infected with AIDS, more than in any previous year; and

WHEREAS, Started in 1988 by the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS, World AIDS Day, now coordinated by The World AIDS Campaign, is not just about raising money to help the fight against AIDS, but also about increasing awareness, fighting prejudice and improving education; and

WHEREAS, World AIDS Day is a day to appreciate, understand and acknowledge the danger that AIDS poses to humanity and the extent to which it has spread all over the world; and

WHEREAS, The ongoing slogan for World AIDS Day is “Stop AIDS. Keep the Promise.”; and

WHEREAS, This year’s theme is “Leadership,” not just leadership within government, but in families, communities and countries, both locally and internationally; and

WHEREAS, In Nevada, according to the Bureau of Community Health of the Health Division of the Department of Health and Human Services, in 2003, Nevada ranked 18th in the nation for the annual AIDS case rate and 20th in the nation for the number of new HIV cases; and



WHEREAS, It is important for the future health of the residents of the State of Nevada, and for people all over the world, to continue to fight against this disease; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, THE ASSEMBLY CONCURRING, That the members of the 74th Session of the Nevada Legislature hereby recognize December 1, 2007, as World AIDS Day in Nevada; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the residents of Nevada are encouraged to participate in this event, as a show of solidarity, support and sympathy for the many victims of AIDS locally and worldwide; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Secretary of the Senate prepare and transmit a copy of this resolution to Deborah McBride, Chief of the Bureau of Community Health of the Health Division of the Department of Health and Human Services, Caroline Ciocca, Executive Director of Aid for AIDS of Nevada, and Lori Smith-Ingberg, Executive Director of the Nevada AIDS Foundation.

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