

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 46—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—Honoring Richard J. Morgan on his retirement as the Dean of the William S. Boyd School of Law.

WHEREAS, Richard J. Morgan earned his bachelor of arts degree in political science at the University of California, Berkeley, and his juris doctor degree at the University of California, Los Angeles, practiced with a private law firm for nearly a decade, and served as Professor of Law, Associate Dean and Dean of the Arizona State University College of Law and as Dean at the University of Wyoming College of Law; and

WHEREAS, When Richard Morgan was hired in 1997 as the Dean of the William S. Boyd School of Law at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas, there was no law school, no building, no library, no curriculum, no policies or procedures, no faculty and no students, and the school's first facility was an aged elementary school which was vacated only 2 months before the opening of the law school, but Dean Morgan had an extraordinary three-pronged vision for this new and daunting undertaking; and

WHEREAS, First, this would be an excellent, first-rate law school, not just one that would meet minimal accreditation standards; and

WHEREAS, Second, this would be Nevada's law school, one that serves all of Nevada and is available to people of all economic circumstances; and

WHEREAS, Third, this law school would be deeply committed to providing service to the community because, for Dean Morgan, service lies at the very core of the legal profession, and therefore



service needs to be at the core of legal education, and he regards the legal profession as one that protects individual rights, provides leadership, and resolves or avoids disputes in an ethical and professional manner; and

WHEREAS, To bring his dream to fruition, Dean Morgan rallied the leaders of the State by talking to Legislators, judges, bar associations, law firms and community leaders about the importance of having a leading law school in Nevada; and

WHEREAS, Recognizing that people are the heart of any great endeavor, Dean Morgan set about attracting the best faculty and students and a dedicated staff to support them; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, THE ASSEMBLY CONCURRING, That the members of the 74th Nevada Legislature honor Dean Richard J. Morgan for his extraordinary vision and his dedication in committing to make the William S. Boyd School of Law an exceptional school, as evidenced by its recent ranking as one of the top 100 law schools in the country by *U.S. News & World Report*; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the members of the Legislature congratulate Dean Morgan as he retires after 10 years as Dean of the William S. Boyd School of Law and 20 years as a dedicated educator and dean; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Secretary of the Senate prepare and transmit a copy of this resolution to Dean Richard J. Morgan.

