

Senate Resolution No. 5—Senators Nolan, Amodei, Beers, Care, Carlton, Cegavske, Coffin, Hardy, Heck, Horsford, Lee, Mathews, McGinness, Raggio, Rhoads, Schneider, Titus, Townsend, Washington, Wiener and Woodhouse

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SENATE RESOLUTION—Commemorating the presentation of the Nevada State Flag to the Army and Navy Academy for display at its Hall of Flags.

WHEREAS, On November 23, 1910, Thomas A. Davis founded what is now known as the Army and Navy Academy, a university preparatory, military, residential and day school whose mission is to educate and develop young men of good character to lead lives of service and excellence; and

WHEREAS, At the Academy, cadets cultivate strength of character, individual excellence and responsible leadership, and by graduation are prepared to lead lives of academic, personal and professional achievement; and

WHEREAS, The Academy has educated many notable men from the State of Nevada, including Jeffrey S. Corrao, Bert Ford, Michael S. Frey, Gregg Geissler, Clark J. Guild Jr., Daniel Guild, Joe Guild, Steven E. Katzmann, Bill A. Ligon, David W. McLaughlin, David J. Reese, Clark Russell, John G. Scott and Lawrence J. Semenza; and

WHEREAS, In 1971, the First Classmen created the Hall of Flags, a display of state flags which serves as a splendid rendition of the great heritage of history and justice and a significant reminder of the balance between state and federal responsibilities; and

WHEREAS, The Army and Navy Academy requested a Nevada State Flag from then Governor Mike O'Callaghan, but the request was denied because of a policy wherein the only flags that were to be donated were to Nevada servicemen in Vietnam; and

WHEREAS, Louis Wiener, Jr., an attorney at law and former law partner of Senator William J. Raggio, and the father of Senator Valerie Wiener, was well known for his generosity and, when he heard of the Governor's denial, responded by sending a personal check for \$20 to cover the purchase of a Nevada State Flag for the Hall of Flags; and

WHEREAS, Current cadet, Sergeant Joey Nolan, son of Senator Dennis Nolan, uncovered the story behind the outdated Nevada State Flag presently being displayed in the Hall of Flags and discovered the letters of correspondence between the Academy, Governor O'Callaghan and Louis Wiener, Jr.; now, therefore, be it



RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, That the Nevada State Senate acknowledges the special circumstances that have brought us to the provision of two Nevada State Flags to be presented to the Army and Navy Academy to replace the outdated flag that now hangs in the Hall of Flags; and be it further

RESOLVED, That these flags, which have flown over the Nevada State Capitol, are hereby presented to Brigadier General Stephen Bliss and Lieutenant Colonel David Witwer for display in the Hall of Flags and for use in special presentations; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Secretary of the Senate prepare and transmit a copy of this resolution to the Army and Navy Academy.

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