

ASSEMBLY CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 20—ASSEMBLYMEN
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HOGAN, HORNE, KIHUEN, KIRKPATRICK, KOIVISTO,
LESLIE, MANENDO, MASTROLUCA, MCARTHUR, MCCLAIN,
MORTENSON, MUNFORD, OCEGUERA, OHRENSCHALL,
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MARCH 24, 2009

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ROADS, SCHNEIDER, TOWNSEND, WASHINGTON, WIENER
AND WOODHOUSE

Read and Adopted

SUMMARY—Commends Justice A. William Maupin for his
extraordinary service to the State of Nevada.
(BDR R-645)

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EXPLANATION – Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

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Justice A. William Maupin for his extraordinary service
to the State of Nevada.

- 1 WHEREAS, William Maupin was born into a medical family, his
- 2 father serving for 30 years in the United States Army Medical Corps
- 3 and his mother being an accomplished surgical nurse, and he was set
- 4 to be the fourth generation of physicians in his family; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Fortunately for the justice system in Nevada, this
- 6 young man considered becoming involved with the law and, upon
- 7 hearing an attorney speak during Career Day at Western High
- 8 School in Las Vegas, was inspired to pursue a judicial career; and



1 WHEREAS, Maupin attended the University of Nevada, Reno,
2 and the University of Arizona College of Law, and after graduating
3 ninth in his law class, began his professional legal career as a law
4 clerk for the Attorney General's Office in Carson City; and

5 WHEREAS, Subsequent to working in several Nevada law firms
6 and in the Public Defender's Office, where he developed a
7 reputation as an excellent trial attorney, Maupin was appointed to
8 the Eighth Judicial District Court in 1993, was elected to the Nevada
9 Supreme Court in 1996, became Chief Justice in 2001, was elected
10 again in 2002 and again served as Chief Justice in 2008; and

11 WHEREAS, Among this judicial scholar's accomplishments are
12 the establishment of seminars to support paraprofessionals, impetus
13 for Nevada's Court Annexed Arbitration Program, service on the
14 Board of Governors of the State Bar of Nevada for 4 years and
15 chairmanship of a Supreme Court committee tasked with reviewing
16 judicial elections; and

17 WHEREAS, During his two terms on the Supreme Court, Justice
18 Maupin created a Nevada legacy as he addressed overcrowded
19 prisons and increasing drug habits in the State, helped assure
20 adequate legal representation for the indigent and made great strides
21 in fostering a better, more qualified judiciary of which all Nevadans
22 can be proud; and

23 WHEREAS, Justice Maupin was the recipient of the Roger D.
24 Foley Professionalism Award in 1997, and his name appears in
25 *Who's Who in America*; and

26 WHEREAS, In addition to his judicial career and his family
27 activities, William Maupin has demonstrated his great
28 humanitarianism and stamina by learning to do eye exams and
29 devoting a week in every year since 2002 to assisting a medical
30 team in Haiti; and

31 WHEREAS, After serving 37 years in Nevada's legal community,
32 Justice Maupin retired from the bench of the Nevada Supreme
33 Court, and his service to Nevada, its residents and society in general
34 embodies the words of Aristotle, "With regard to excellence, it is
35 not enough to know, but we must try to have and use it"; now,
36 therefore, be it

37 RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, THE
38 SENATE CONCURRING, That the members of the 75th Nevada
39 Legislature commend the Honorable Justice A. William Maupin for
40 his extraordinary service to this State; and be it further

41 RESOLVED, That the Legislature expresses its profound respect
42 and gratitude for his efforts to improve the judicial system in the
43 State of Nevada; and be it further



- 1 RESOLVED, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly prepare and
- 2 transmit a copy of this resolution to Justice A. William Maupin.

