

ASSEMBLY CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 9—ASSEMBLYMEN  
ANDERSON; AIZLEY, ARBERRY, ATKINSON, BOBZIEN,  
BUCKLEY, CARPENTER, CHRISTENSEN, CLABORN, COBB,  
CONKLIN, DENIS, DONDERO LOOP, GANSERT, GOEDHART,  
GOICOECHEA, GRADY, GUSTAVSON, HAMBRICK, HARDY,  
HOGAN, HORNE, KIHUEN, KIRKPATRICK, KOIVISTO,  
LESLIE, MANENDO, MASTROLUCA, MCARTHUR, MCCLAIR,  
MORTENSON, MUNFORD, OCEGUERA, OHRENSCHALL,  
PARNELL, PIERCE, SEGERBLOM, SETTELMAYER, SMITH,  
SPIEGEL, STEWART AND WOODBURY

FEBRUARY 25, 2009

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RHOADS, SCHNEIDER, TOWNSEND, WASHINGTON, WIENER  
AND WOODHOUSE

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Read and Adopted

SUMMARY—Memorializes longtime Reno lawyer, civic leader  
and philanthropist William O. “Bud” Bradley.  
(BDR R-45)

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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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ASSEMBLY CONCURRENT RESOLUTION—Memorializing  
longtime Reno lawyer, civic leader and philanthropist  
William O. “Bud” Bradley.

1 WHEREAS, The members of the Nevada Legislature are  
2 saddened by the passing of William O. “Bud” Bradley, longtime  
3 Reno lawyer, civic leader and philanthropist; and

4 WHEREAS, Bud Bradley, a native of White Pine County, was  
5 born on February 27, 1924, and attended Stanford University until  
6 his duty to serve his country compelled him to join the United States  
7 Navy Air Corps as a pilot and flight instructor in World War II; and



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1        WHEREAS, Upon his return to Nevada after the war, Bud  
2 graduated from the University of Nevada, Reno, and went on to  
3 obtain a law degree at George Washington University Law School  
4 in 1950, met his future wife Joan Sheaff of Holcomb, Illinois, and  
5 opened a law office in Reno a mere five years later; and

6        WHEREAS, While first specializing in water rights law, Bud  
7 expanded his law firm, known today as Bradley, Drendel &  
8 Jeanney, so much so that the firm continues to be a leader in the  
9 representation of injured persons; and

10      WHEREAS, Bud was recognized by his colleagues as one of the  
11 top 100 lawyers in America and was inducted into The Inner Circle  
12 of Advocates in 1972; and

13      WHEREAS, Bud was an original trustee of the Reno Air Racing  
14 Association and the philanthropic organization, the E.L. Cord  
15 Foundation, which has distributed millions of dollars to charitable  
16 groups in northern Nevada; and

17      WHEREAS, Bud was honored for his civic leadership,  
18 particularly in education, when the University of Nevada, Reno,  
19 presented him with an Honorary Degree of Doctor of Laws in  
20 May 1993; and

21      WHEREAS, Preceded in death by Joan, his wife of 50 years, Bud  
22 passed away at home on January 17, 2008, at the age of 83; now,  
23 therefore, be it

24      RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, THE  
25 SENATE CONCURRING, That the members of the 75th Nevada  
26 Legislature offer their deepest condolences to the surviving family  
27 members of Bud, including his beloved sons Bill and Joe Bradley,  
28 and daughter Elizabeth Thomas; and be it further

29      RESOLVED, That Bud will be remembered as an extremely  
30 accomplished lawyer who continually worked to improve the  
31 communities of northern Nevada, as a role model in civic leadership  
32 and philanthropy, and as a true friend to Nevada; and be it further

33      RESOLVED, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly prepare and  
34 transmit a copy of this resolution to Bud's children, Bill, Joe and  
35 Elizabeth.

