

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 20—Senators Raggio; Amodei, Breeden, Care, Carlton, Cegavske, Coffin, Copening, Hardy, Horsford, Lee, Mathews, McGinness, Nolan, Parks, Rhoads, Schneider, Townsend, Washington, Wiener and Woodhouse

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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION—Designating March 25, 2009, as Diabetes Awareness Day in Nevada.

WHEREAS, Diabetes is a serious and debilitating disease that poses a major health problem to the residents of the State of Nevada; and

WHEREAS, Diabetes is the sixth leading cause of death in the United States, with almost 18 million people having been diagnosed with the disease; and

WHEREAS, An alarming number of people, almost six million, in the United States remain undiagnosed because of lack of education and information regarding diabetes; and

WHEREAS, In addition to a high mortality rate, diabetes has life-threatening complications such as blindness, kidney disease and nerve disease, which may lead to lower limb amputations, heart disease and stroke; and

WHEREAS, Many people are unaware that there is an increased risk because of factors such as age, obesity and a sedentary lifestyle and that risk may be averted through known preventive measures; and

WHEREAS, Diabetes is one of the most expensive health problems in the United States, costing \$174 billion annually in expenses directly and indirectly related to the disease; and

WHEREAS, It is estimated that the population of this State will expand by more than 1.3 million over the next 20 years, causing a great economic burden on the State and its residents, in addition to the human suffering, if this disease goes unchecked; and



WHEREAS, The cooperative efforts in the production and dissemination of the Nevada Diabetes Resource Directory and the Recommendations For Management Of Children With Diabetes In School of the Nevada Diabetes Association for Children and Adults will have a great impact in reducing the incidence of diabetes by promoting community awareness; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, THE ASSEMBLY CONCURRING, That March 25, 2009, is hereby designated as Diabetes Awareness Day in Nevada; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Nevada Legislature hereby commends the Nevada Diabetes Council and the Nevada Diabetes Association for Children and Adults for their efforts to reduce the effects of diabetes on the residents of this State by supplying them with resources and information; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Secretary of the Senate prepare and transmit a copy of this resolution to Chris Moore, Chairperson of the Nevada Diabetes Council, and to Mylan Hawkins, Executive Director of the Nevada Diabetes Association for Children and Adults.

