

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 36—SENATORS MCGINNESS, NOLAN; AMODEI, BREEDEN, CARE, CARLTON, CEGAVSKE, COFFIN, COPENING, HARDY, HORSFORD, LEE, MATHEWS, PARKS, RAGGIO, RHOADS, SCHNEIDER, TOWNSEND, WASHINGTON, WIENER AND WOODHOUSE

MAY 28, 2009

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Read and Adopted

SUMMARY—Memorializes Commander Luther H. Hook III, Executive Officer of the Naval Air Station Fallon. (BDR R-1332)

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

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION—Memorializing Commander Luther H. Hook III, Executive Officer of the Naval Air Station Fallon.

1 WHEREAS, Members of the Nevada Legislature, along with the
2 residents of this State, were shocked and deeply saddened to learn of
3 the tragic passing of Commander Luther H. Hook III, Executive
4 Officer at the Naval Air Station Fallon, and his daughters Kaitlyn,
5 Rachel and Mackenzie Hook; and

6 WHEREAS, Commander Hook was a native of Havana, Florida,
7 graduated from the United States Naval Academy in 1986 and went
8 on to earn his Wings of Gold in June of 1988 in Beeville, Texas; and



1 WHEREAS, As a pilot flying the F/A-18 Hornet, he flew from the
2 decks of the USS *Constellation*, USS *Independence*, USS *Carl*
3 *Vinson* and USS *Kitty Hawk* and served in a number of strike fighter
4 squadrons, in addition to performing the duties of a landing signal
5 officer with Carrier Air Wing Eleven; and

6 WHEREAS, After earning a Master of Strategic Studies degree
7 from the Air War College in 2003, Commander Hook brought his
8 expertise and extensive training to our State in 2005, when he was
9 stationed at the Naval Air Station Fallon; and

10 WHEREAS, His impressive 23-year career in the United States
11 Navy includes over 2,700 hours in the F/A-18 and many awards and
12 decorations, such as the Air Medal with Combat V, the Meritorious
13 Service Medal, the Navy Commendation and Navy Achievement
14 Medals, as well as various other campaign and expeditionary
15 medals; and

16 WHEREAS, Commander Hook will be remembered by friends
17 and colleagues as a person who was a pleasure to work with, a great
18 aviator and officer who served his beloved country with pride and
19 dignity, and an involved parent and member of the community who
20 participated in various projects and fundraisers at local schools; and

21 WHEREAS, Family, friends, classmates and neighbors of
22 15-year-old Kaitlyn, 12-year-old Rachel and 9-year-old Mackenzie
23 shared fond, bittersweet memories of Kaitlyn's smile and athletic
24 prowess, Rachel's passion for singing and Mackenzie's bike rides
25 from school as they grieved for these heartbreaking losses; now,
26 therefore, be it

27 RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, THE
28 ASSEMBLY CONCURRING, That members of the 75th Session of the
29 Nevada Legislature hereby express their sincerest condolences to
30 the family and friends of Commander Hook and his daughters
31 Kaitlyn, Rachel and Mackenzie; and be it further

32 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of the Senate prepare and
33 transmit a copy of this resolution to Commander Hook's wife
34 Wende Hucke Hook, and Brenda Hook, mother of Kaitlyn, Rachel
35 and Mackenzie.

