

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 12—SENATORS KIHUEN, DENIS; BREEDEN, BROWER, CEGAVSKE, COPENING, GUSTAVSON, HALSETH, HARDY, HORSFORD, KIECKHEFER, LEE, LESLIE, MANENDO, MCGINNESS, PARKS, RHOADS, ROBERSON, SCHNEIDER, SETTELMAYER AND WIENER

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Read and Adopted

SUMMARY—Memorializes visionary leader, businessman and advocate Edmundo “Eddie” Escobedo, Sr. (BDR R-858)

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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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1 WHEREAS, With great sadness and expressions of tremendous
2 loss, Nevadans mourned the passing of Edmundo “Eddie”
3 Escobedo, Sr., on October 15, 2010; and

4 WHEREAS, Eddie was born in Mexico in 1932 and after moving
5 to El Paso, Texas, enlisted in the United States Air Force and served
6 at Nellis Air Force Base, where he worked with sheet metal and as a
7 jet mechanic and parachute rigger, sometimes packing parachutes
8 for the world-famous Thunderbirds; and



1 WHEREAS, After his honorable discharge, this energetic young
2 man adopted Las Vegas as his hometown, worked two jobs for
3 several years, saved his money and entered the entertainment arena
4 as a promoter of movie stars and performers in various arts; and

5 WHEREAS, Eddie later opened a movie theater and was elected
6 three times as President of the Spanish Pictures Exhibitors
7 Association, and while serving in that role, brought to Las Vegas the
8 annual conventions that are the Spanish version of the Oscars; and

9 WHEREAS, In 1980, Eddie took a step into the world of written
10 media when he and his eldest son began publishing a small weekly
11 newspaper, *El Mundo*, which began with 16 pages and advertising
12 that was practically given away but today has a circulation of close
13 to 40,000 and is an undisputed voice of Hispanics in Nevada; and

14 WHEREAS, Because of the tremendous success of *El Mundo*,
15 Eddie was chosen as President of the National Association of
16 Hispanic Publications and President of the National Hispanic Press
17 Foundation, and in that capacity, he raised large amounts of money
18 for scholarships and internships; and

19 WHEREAS, Other business endeavors in Las Vegas included co-
20 ownership of a highly successful radio station in the Spanish
21 language, investments in real estate and construction of the
22 Escobedo Professional Plaza; and

23 WHEREAS, While this visionary leader, businessman and
24 advocate for the Hispanic community was the epitome of the
25 American Dream, he was never too busy living that dream to spend
26 countless hours to support, encourage and inspire others through
27 individual efforts, through the establishment and promotion of
28 community organizations and events and in the political sphere,
29 volunteering in campaigns and encouraging people to vote; and

30 WHEREAS, Among the abundant awards Eddie received are the
31 Premio Ohtli, one of the highest awards given by the Mexican
32 Government, the Gentleman of Excellence award for community
33 leaders and the prestigious Lifetime Achievement Award from the
34 National Association of Hispanic Publications; and

35 WHEREAS, A few of the honors bestowed upon him were his
36 selection as Hispanic of the Month by the City of Las Vegas and
37 Hispanic of the Year by the Latin Chamber of Commerce and, in
38 2005, the enduring honor of having a middle school named after
39 him; now, therefore, be it

40 RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, THE
41 ASSEMBLY CONCURRING, That the members of the 76th Session of
42 the Nevada Legislature do hereby extend their earnest condolences
43 to the family and friends of Edmundo Escobedo, Sr.; and be it
44 further



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1 RESOLVED, That Edmundo Escobedo will forever remain in the
2 hearts and minds of all whose lives he touched and enriched, and his
3 name will never be forgotten in the annals of our State; and be it
4 further

5 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of the Senate prepare and
6 transmit a copy of this resolution to Eddie's beloved wife of over 50
7 years, Maria, and to his children Edmundo, Jr., Nicolas, Hilda and
8 Victor.

