

ASSEMBLY CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 5—ASSEMBLYMEN  
KIRKPATRICK; AIZLEY, ELLIOT ANDERSON, PAUL  
ANDERSON, BENITEZ-THOMPSON, BOBZIEN, BUSTAMANTE  
ADAMS, CARLTON, CARRILLO, COHEN, DALY, DIAZ,  
DONDERO LOOP, DUNCAN, EISEN, ELLISON, FIORE,  
FLORES, FRIERSON, GRADY, HAMBRICK, HANSEN, HARDY,  
HEALEY, HICKEY, HOGAN, HORNE, KIRNER, LIVERMORE,  
MARTIN, MUNFORD, NEAL, OHRENSCHALL, OSCARSON,  
PIERCE, SPIEGEL, SPRINKLE, STEWART, SWANK, WHEELER  
AND WOODBURY

APRIL 18, 2013

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JOINT SPONSORS: SENATORS SMITH; ATKINSON, BROWER,  
CEGAVSKE, DENIS, FORD, GOICOECHEA, GUSTAVSON,  
HAMMOND, HARDY, HUTCHISON, JONES, KIECKHEFER,  
KIHUEN, MANENDO, PARKS, ROBERSON, SEGERBLOM,  
SETTELMAYER, SPEARMAN AND WOODHOUSE

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Read and Adopted

SUMMARY—Memorializes former Assemblyman John W.  
Marvel. (BDR R-1211)

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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  
former Assemblyman John W. Marvel.

- 1 WHEREAS, The State of Nevada lost a true statesman and
- 2 steadfast public servant on March 16, 2013, and the members of the
- 3 Nevada Legislature note with sorrow the passing of one of their
- 4 most highly regarded former colleagues; and
- 5 WHEREAS, John Wyland Marvel was born in Battle Mountain,
- 6 Nevada, on September 11, 1926, and, after graduating as
- 7 valedictorian of his class at Battle Mountain High School, served in
- 8 the United States Army’s 19th Infantry Regiment during World War
- 9 II and was honored for his service with the Asiatic-Pacific



1 Campaign Medal, the Army of Occupation Medal and the World  
2 War II Victory Medal; and

3 WHEREAS, After earning a bachelor of arts degree at the  
4 University of Nevada, Reno, in 1951, Mr. Marvel built a career as  
5 business manager of and working cowboy with one of the largest  
6 ranching operations in Nevada history, W.T. Jenkins Co., which was  
7 founded by his grandfather, and later he acquired and operated the  
8 Dunphy Ranch in Eureka County for over two decades; and

9 WHEREAS, This native Nevadan remained a loyal advocate for  
10 agricultural industries and the interests of this State's rural counties  
11 after he ran for the Nevada Assembly and was first elected in 1978,  
12 serving for 30 years, including 15 regular and 11 special sessions; and

13 WHEREAS, Assemblyman Marvel served as an invaluable  
14 member and leader of many legislative committees and contributed  
15 to forming countless public policies affecting the people of the State  
16 of Nevada, though he was proudest of his legislative efforts to  
17 support education, to secure funding for the University of Nevada  
18 School of Medicine and to reform the prison system, tax structure  
19 and water laws of this State; and

20 WHEREAS, Mr. Marvel earned distinction during his service in  
21 the Nevada Legislature through his contributions to national and  
22 regional legislative organizations, including the American  
23 Legislative Exchange Council and the Western Legislative  
24 Conference, and in 2009 was added to the Assembly Wall of  
25 Distinction; and

26 WHEREAS, A recognized expert in many fields, this  
27 distinguished Nevadan served as Chairman of the Nevada Tax  
28 Commission and the Lander County Planning Commission and as a  
29 member of the Advisory Council to the National Public Land Law  
30 Review Commission and, after his legislative service, served on the  
31 Nevada Commission on Ethics; and

32 WHEREAS, Mr. Marvel will be fondly remembered by those who  
33 have had the good fortune to work with him as a thoughtful, caring,  
34 down-to-earth, responsible man with a great sense of humor, who  
35 always thought of others' needs first; now, therefore, be it

36 RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, THE  
37 SENATE CONCURRING, That the members of the 77th Session of the  
38 Nevada Legislature hereby extend their deepest condolences to  
39 former Assemblyman Marvel's wife Willie, his children Sharon,  
40 John and Michelle, and his brother Thomas; and be it further

41 RESOLVED, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly prepare and  
42 transmit a copy of this resolution to John's wife of more than 60  
43 years, Willie Shidler Marvel.

