

ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION NO. 5—ASSEMBLYMEN FRIERSON,  
BENITEZ-THOMPSON AND PAUL ANDERSON

MAY 8, 2017

Read and Adopted

SUMMARY—Adds former Assemblyman John E. (Jack) Jeffrey to  
the Assembly Wall of Distinction. (BDR R-1161)

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

ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION—Adding former Assemblyman John  
E. (Jack) Jeffrey to the Assembly Wall of Distinction.

1 WHEREAS, The Assembly of the Legislature of the State of  
2 Nevada has established a Wall of Distinction for those past  
3 members of the Assembly, selected by leadership, who served with  
4 great distinction and who made exemplary contributions to the State  
5 of Nevada; and

6 WHEREAS, John E. (Jack) Jeffrey was born in Sioux City, Iowa,  
7 in 1938, and then moved to Henderson, Nevada, with his family in  
8 1941; and

9 WHEREAS, Assemblyman Jeffrey worked as an electrician for  
10 many years and served as Secretary for the Southern Nevada  
11 Building and Construction Trades Council, experiences that gave  
12 him a deep understanding of the concerns and interests of the  
13 working men and women in this State; and

14 WHEREAS, Jack Jeffrey became involved in politics at an early  
15 age, before he was even old enough to vote, and went on to serve as  
16 a member of the Henderson City Council and as Mayor pro tem; and

17 WHEREAS, In 1974, Jack Jeffrey was elected to the Nevada  
18 Assembly where he represented the Henderson area for the next 16  
19 years; and

20 WHEREAS, During his tenure in the Legislature, Assemblyman  
21 Jeffrey filled many leadership roles, serving as Assembly Majority  
22 Floor Leader during the 1983, 1987 and 1989 Regular Sessions and  
23 the 1984 and 1989 Special Sessions, as Majority Whip in 1977 and  
24 as Assistant Minority Floor Leader in 1985; and



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1 WHEREAS, Jack Jeffrey served on the Assembly Committee on  
2 Commerce for 12 years and served as Chair of that Committee in  
3 1979, 1983, 1987 and 1989, Chair of the Assembly Committee on  
4 Economic Development and Natural Resources in 1981, and Chair  
5 of the Legislative Commission in 1989 and 1990, as well as serving  
6 as a member of many other standing and interim committees; and

7 WHEREAS, Assemblyman Jeffrey successfully sponsored many  
8 significant pieces of legislation on subjects including fire safety,  
9 workers' compensation, preference for Nevada contractors on public  
10 works projects, occupational diseases, workplace health and safety  
11 and local government; and

12 WHEREAS, After his service in the Legislature, Jack Jeffrey  
13 returned to the Legislature as a lobbyist for an additional 20 years,  
14 working tirelessly to protect the rights of the working men and  
15 women in Nevada; and

16 WHEREAS, Jack Jeffrey will long be remembered as an astute  
17 and powerful political leader, a vigorous advocate of the rights of  
18 the common citizen and a soft-spoken, kind and compassionate  
19 colleague and friend; now, therefore, be it

20 RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, That,  
21 for his 16 years of dedicated service to the Assembly, John E. (Jack)  
22 Jeffrey is hereby added to the Assembly Wall of Distinction; and be  
23 it further

24 RESOLVED, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly prepare and  
25 transmit a copy of this resolution to the family of former  
26 Assemblyman John E. (Jack) Jeffrey.

