ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 14–ASSEMBLYMEMBERS YEAGER, MONROE-MORENO, MILLER, JAUREGUI, BACKUS; ANDERSON, BROWN-MAY, CARTER, CONSIDINE, DALIA, D'SILVA, FLANAGAN, GONZÁLEZ, GOULDING, HUNT, JACKSON, KARRIS, LA RUE HATCH, MARZOLA, MOORE, MOSCA, NADEEM, NGUYEN, ROTH, TORRES-FOSSETT AND WATTS

MARCH 24, 2025

JOINT SPONSORS: SENATORS SCHEIBLE; CANNIZZARO, DONDERO LOOP, NGUYEN AND OHRENSCHALL

Referred to Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections

SUMMARY—Condemns the January 6, 2021, attack on the U.S. Capitol and denounces the use of presidential pardons and commutations to absolve the rioters. (BDR R-991)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.
Effect on the State: No.

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

ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION—Condemning the attack on the U.S. Capitol on January 6, 2021, including the assault on law enforcement officers, and denouncing the use of presidential pardons and commutations to absolve the participants in the riot.

WHEREAS, On January 6, 2021, a mob violently overpowered the U.S. Capitol Police and breached the U.S. Capitol, disrupting the peaceful transfer of power; and

WHEREAS, This insurrection was not only an attack on the U.S. Capitol, but on the rule of law, the values of American democracy and the U.S. Constitution, which are the very foundations of the American Republic; and

WHEREAS, The U.S. Capitol Police, alongside other law enforcement agencies, demonstrated heroism and unwavering courage, professionalism and commitment to their duties while protecting members of Congress and others within the U.S. Capitol during the attack, which resulted in traumatic injuries to at least 140 law enforcement officers in the line of duty; and

WHEREAS, President Donald Trump's granting of pardons and commutations on January 20, 2025, to the roughly 1,500 criminals involved in the attack is an act of betrayal not only to the law enforcement officers who risked their lives on January 6, 2021, but to all U.S. citizens; and

WHEREAS, Among those criminals was one who assaulted D.C. Metropolitan Police Department Officer Noah Rathbun with a flagpole, another who repeatedly pressed a stun gun into the neck of D.C. Metropolitan Police Department Officer Michael Fanone and another who sprayed multiple law enforcement officers with bear spray; and

WHEREAS, The International Association of Chiefs of Police and the Fraternal Order of Police jointly condemned these presidential pardons and commutations, emphasizing that crimes against law enforcement officers are attacks on society and undermine the rule of law and that failure to hold perpetrators of violent crimes against law enforcement officers accountable may embolden others to commit similar acts of violence; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY AND SENATE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, JOINTLY, That the members of the 83rd session of the Nevada Legislature condemn the attack on the U.S. Capitol on January 6, 2021, including the assault on law enforcement officers, and denounce the use of presidential pardons and commutations to absolve the participants in the riot; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly prepare and transmit a copy of this resolution to the President of the United States, the President Pro Tempore of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives and the members of the Nevada Congressional Delegation; and be it further

RESOLVED, That this resolution becomes effective upon passage.

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