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ASSEMBLY CONCURRENT RESOLUTION—Memorializing fallen North Las Vegas Police Detective Chad Parque.

WHEREAS, With great sorrow, we note that on January 7, 2017, the State of Nevada lost Police Detective Chad Parque, a man who dedicated his life to serving and protecting his state and community and who, as a veteran Police Officer and Police Detective, was on the front lines in the unremitting battle for the preservation of law and order; and

WHEREAS, Chad was born on March 7, 1984, in Merced, California, and was raised and lived the rest of his life in Las Vegas, Nevada; and

WHEREAS, Chad attended Cheyenne High School where he lettered in baseball and football and graduated in less than 4 years in 2002; and

WHEREAS, While in high school, Chad met the love of his life Jessica, and on February 2, 2001, Chad summoned the courage to ask her out on a date which she accepted, and 12 days later on Valentine’s Day, Jessica gave Chad a necklace with a key pendant symbolizing that he had the key to her heart and, without knowing about her gift, Chad gave Jessica a necklace with a heart pendant; and

WHEREAS, To further his childhood dream of becoming a police officer, Chad enrolled in the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department’s Law Enforcement Explorer Program, receiving early training on police practices and procedures and being handpicked by the program managers to serve as a squad leader based on his



consistent demonstration of maturity, discipline and intelligence; and

WHEREAS, Soon after completing the Explorer Program, Chad accepted a civilian position with the North Las Vegas Police Department at the Northwest Area Command, helping members of the public complete police reports; and

WHEREAS, Chad's dedication and tenacity paid off when, in 2006, he was hired by the City of North Las Vegas, completed the Police Academy and the Police Department's Field Training Program and, finally, served as a Police Officer, patrolling the streets of his community, helping those in need and combating crime; and

WHEREAS, Chad married his high school sweetheart Jessica on March 28, 2009, who 4 years later gave birth to the second love of Chad's life, their beautiful daughter Riley; and

WHEREAS, Chad's hard work in the Patrol Division was recognized by the Command Staff of the North Las Vegas Police Department and, in 2013, he was assigned to an elite team known as the Problem Solving Unit, where Chad specialized in investigating, confronting, apprehending and neutralizing gang activity in North Las Vegas; and

WHEREAS, Chad was promoted to Police Detective on July 23, 2016, and assigned to the Property Crimes Division, where he quickly gained a reputation for having a strong work ethic and for being a team player, volunteering to accept additional cases above and beyond his regular rotation in order to lessen the burden on his fellow Detectives; and

WHEREAS, On the afternoon of January 6, 2017, while leaving the North Las Vegas Justice Court in connection with his regular work duties, Chad was involved in a car crash in which he sustained critical injuries that, notwithstanding Chad's tenacious spirit and the monumental effort of nearly a dozen trauma surgeons at the University Medical Center, ultimately claimed Chad's life far too soon; and

WHEREAS, These are tumultuous times in which the law enforcement profession is under great scrutiny and subject to extensive debate as to the scope and timing of force that ought to be employed in the apprehension of criminal misconduct, yet peace officers like Chad are needed now as much as ever; and

WHEREAS, Chad was a consummate professional, a guardian of the community, a zealous enforcer of laws and a protector of the weak whose conduct was above reproach and whose actions were righteous and based on sound judgment and a pure heart; and



WHEREAS, Chad leaves behind the two great loves of his life, his wife Jessica and his daughter Riley, as well as his mother Mary, his father Kevin and his sister Nicole, and a legion of brothers and sisters in blue in the North Las Vegas Police Department and the law enforcement community everywhere; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That the members of the 79th Session of the Nevada Legislature hereby extend their deepest condolences to Chad's beloved family, to all of his friends and to all of those whose lives were touched by Chad and whose hearts are made heavy by his passing; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly prepare and transmit a copy of this resolution to the family of Detective Chad Parque.

