IN MEMORIAM OF DR. HERBERT RANDALL

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I am truly honored to have both served on the Nevada Silver Haired Legislative Forum (NSHLF) as a member representing Senate District 16 during several of Herb's five terms as President of the Forum, and as the current President of the Forum, to offer the following highlights of some of Dr. Randall's life experiences that I believe helped him develop the leadership traits he so willingly brought to the Nevada Silver Haired Legislative Forum and to other programs benefiting seniors.

Herb's battlefield bravery in Vietnam led to his being awarded the Silver Star, a Purple Heart, and the Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry. Such awards were emblematic of Herb's patience in dealing with the ever-diverse character of member ideas and conflict resolution. **Herbert owned the skill to reason!**

Yet the trait that most benefited the Forum was Herb's patience. Indeed, the patience that was required to achieve success with the United States Command and General Staff College, and subsequently, the National Defense University were substantial. But Herb would close out the deal with a Bachelor of Arts in political science from Auburn University, a Master of Arts in international relations from Boston University, and a Doctor of Education in policy, planning and administration from the University of Southern California.

Many seniors and program staff working with seniors who live in the southern sections of Nevada knew Herb through his monthly articles in *Senior Connections*, the Nevada Senior Citizen of the Year Award he established, and the time he gave so generously to nonprofit organizations. Finally, let us never forget the Statewide Alert System for the Safe Return of Missing Endangered Older Persons (Silver Alert), championed by Herb & NSHLF! Similarly, the National Silver Haired Congress provided yet another vehicle for Herb to exercise his passion to work on behalf of seniors.

Dr. Herbert Randall (1943 – 2019). Job well done!