

VI. APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO COMMITTEES AND SIMILAR ENTITIES

A. Nevada Silver Haired Legislative Forum (NRS 427A.330)

Pursuant to NRS 427A.330, the Legislative Commission is required to appoint to the Nevada Silver Haired Legislative Forum a number of members equal to the number of State Senators. Members serve staggered two-year terms, with approximately half appointed to terms ending in even-numbered years and the other half ending in odd-numbered years. Forum members whose terms expired may continue to serve until a successor is appointed or they are reappointed to their respective Forum seat.

The following nominations are for the remainder of the terms that started on January 1, 2025, and will expire on December 31, 2026 (even-numbered years):

Senate District	Senator	Forum Member Nominee
12	Julie Pazina	Patrick Thorne
13	Skip Daly	Greg Smith
15	Angela D. Taylor	Gwen Shonkwiler
16	Lisa Krasner	Kathleen Doyle
19	John Ellison	Catherine McAdoo

The following nominations are for the remainder of the terms that started on January 1, 2024, and will expire on December 31, 2025 (odd-numbered years):

Senate District	Senator	Forum Member Nominee
6	Nicole J. Cannizzaro	Michele Johnson

B. Nevada Commission on Minority Affairs (NRS 232.852)

Pursuant to NRS 232.852, the Legislative Commission appoints members to the Nevada Commission on Minority Affairs from a list of persons recommended to the Legislative Commission by organizations and other entities which represent or promote the interests of minority groups in this State.

Pursuant to NRS 232.854, members serve for two-year terms that begin on July 1 and members are eligible for reappointment, except that a member may not serve for any part of more than two consecutive terms.

The following individual is recommended for appointment for the resigning Nic Steele. The term will be for the remainder of Mr. Steele's unexpired term, which ends June 30, 2026:

- Jon Stevenson

C. Board of Directors for the corporation for public benefit that administers the Nevada Youth Legislature (NRS 219A.300)

Pursuant to NRS 219A.300, the Board of Directors for Public Benefit for Nevada Youth Legislature is comprised of seven members appointed by the Legislative Commission consisting of at least: one member of the Senate; one member of the Assembly; one representative of the general public; and if practicable, one person who previously served as a member of the Nevada Youth Legislature. The terms are for two years, July 1, 2025-June 30, 2027.

The following are recommended for appointed:

- Senator Valerie Wiener (Ret.);
- Former Senator Joyce Woodhouse;
- Senator Melanie Scheible;
- Senator John Steinbeck;
- Assemblymember Selena Torres-Fossett;
- Former Youth Legislator Zhan Okuda-Lim; and
- Member of the Public Gail Anderson

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THE STATE OF NEVADA LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL BUREAU RESEARCH DIVISION

DATE: October 28, 2025
TO: Assemblymember Sandra Jauregui, Chair, Legislative Commission
FROM: Patrick B. Ashton, Senior Principal Policy Analyst, Research Division
SUBJECT: **Appointments to the Nevada Silver Haired Legislative Forum**

The Nevada Legislature created the Nevada Silver Haired Legislative Forum under *Nevada Revised Statutes* [427A.313 through 427A.400](#) to identify and act upon issues of importance to aging persons.

The Legislative Commission shall appoint to the Forum 21 members, each of whom serves a two-year term. Each Senator—after consulting with the members of the Assembly who reside within his or her senatorial district—shall nominate a person who meets the requirements for appointment to the Forum. To qualify, a nominee must:

- Have been a Nevada resident for at least five years;
- Have been a registered voter in the appointing senatorial district for one year; and
- Be at least 60 years of age on the day of appointment.

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The Forum positions for multiple senate districts are vacant. Forum staff have received nominations from Senators to fill these positions.

On behalf of the Forum, I respectfully request from the Legislative Commission the appointment of the nominees outlined in the charts below at its meeting on October 28, 2025.

The following nominations are for new appointments for the remainder of the terms that started on January 1, 2025, and will expire on December 31, 2026 (even-numbered years):

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Thank you for your consideration of this request. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

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Cc: Roger Wilkerson, Deputy Director, Legislative Counsel Bureau (LCB)
Asher Killian, Legislative Counsel, LCB
Jennifer Ruedy, Director, Research Division, LCB
Tarron Collins, Office Services Coordinator, Director's Office, LCB

September 3, 2025

Chair Wyett,

I am providing you this letter of intent to demonstrate my interest in taking a role with the Nevada Minority Affairs Board. Attached, you will see a (very) abbreviated resumé with a broad overview of what I think might be relevant for consideration by the board. Additionally, you will see three letters of recommendation. One from Dr. Melvin Kings, the director of the North Las Vegas Library District, Lizette Guillen Collins, the director of Nevada Partners Inc., a pivotal community resource hub serving the minority communities around the valley, and Sarah J McCrea-Dameron, retired Deputy Fire Chief, Las Vegas Fire & Rescue.

Specifically, I would like to highlight some of the experiences I had while serving as an assistant chief over Medical Services for Las Vegas Fire & Rescue. I believe the items listed suggest that I could be a good fit for chair of the Health Care Committee.

Should you have any questions or would like more information, please feel free to ask.

Thank you,
Jon Stevenson II

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Objective

I am seeking a position on the Nevada Minority Affairs Board, where I hope to leverage my expertise in operations, emergency management in both fire and medical, and community engagement and program creation to enhance organizational performance and outreach.

Education

University of Nevada, Las Vegas – B.A. Interdisciplinary Studies, 2023 (GPA: 3.8); currently enrolled in the Intercollegiate and Professional Sports Management Master's program. Two semesters left.

College of Southern Nevada – History, 2000

Professional Experience

Project Manager – UNLV Tourism Business Igniter (2023 – Present)

- Project Manager for a federal grant program awarded to UNLV, intended to expand sports, cultural, and medical tourism.
- Liaison between UNLV and community stakeholders to promote diverse business growth.

Assistant Chief – Medical Services, Las Vegas Fire & Rescue (2017 – 2021)

- Created a first-of-its-kind **Crisis Response Team** and Community Paramedic Program.
- Managed health and wellness programs for first responders and public health initiatives.
- Designed and co-created the Cashman ISO-Q COVID recovery shelter for the homeless population.
- Led city-wide COVID-19 vaccination program.
- Member of the SNHD Medical Advisory Board
- Board member of the Nevada Homelessness Continuum of Care Board
- Oversaw the creation of Southern Nevada Sex Trafficking Awareness training for First Responders and emergency care personnel.
- Participated as a panelist or speaker in addiction awareness programs.
- Co-developed opium overdose tracking mechanisms with State officials

Assistant Chief – Operations, Las Vegas Fire & Rescue (2016 – 2017)

- Oversaw all fire, EMS, hazardous materials, and special operations.
- Trained new leaders in emergency decision-making and crisis response.
- Key member of the Southern Nevada Unified Command for regional emergency coordination.

Battalion Chief – Suppression & Training, Las Vegas Fire & Rescue (2007 – 2016)

- Managed six fire stations and multiple specialized emergency response teams.
- Designed and implemented promotional training programs for leadership development.
- Led multi-agency emergency drills, including large-scale active shooter and hazmat exercises.

Fire Captain & Firefighter/Paramedic, Las Vegas Fire & Rescue (1994 – 2007)

- Led fire crews in emergency response and station operations.
- Developed training programs and chaired diversity initiatives.
- Honored as **City of Las Vegas Citizen of the Month (2000)** for community service.

Certifications & Skills

- Incident Command, Emergency Management, Strategic Leadership
- Community Engagement, Public Speaking, Event Coordination
- Fire Officer I & II, Fire Instructor I, Paramedic Certification

Community Involvement

- Former board member of Spread The Word Nevada.
- Coached youth basketball and semi-professional women's soccer.
- Organized multiple Fire vs. Police charity sports events benefiting local causes.
- Coordinated the **October 1 Shooting Memorial** at the UNLV football game.
- Former co-host of the KCEP Radio Talk Show with Commissioner Lawrence Weekly.

Sarah J. McCrea-Dameron

Deputy Fire Chief, *retired 2021*

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September 3, 2025

State of Nevada, Minority Affairs Board,

Chair

To Whom it May Concern:

I am honored to recommend Mr. Jon Stevenson for a position State of Nevada's Minority Affairs Board. I have had the pleasure of knowing Mr. Stevenson since 1998 when I was hired with Las Vegas Fire & Rescue, where Mr. Stevenson was already working as a firefighter/paramedic.

In the first few years of our acquaintance, I came to know Mr. Stevenson through his roles as a mentor and partner as we worked together in the field responding to emergency calls. As both a mentor to me and first responder to the public, he was always kind, patient, and curious, constantly seeking to gain more knowledge and competence. He was an expert in our protocols and procedures, and also considerate and compassionate to all he served. Mr. Stevenson also facilitated and coordinated the annual Fire vs. Police Soccer Game and Fundraiser, and ensured the Firefighter soccer team was assembled, practiced, prepared, and then coached!

Mr. Stevenson held several positions of management and leadership during his time with Las Vegas Fire & Rescue. Throughout our careers, I both reported to him and eventually worked alongside him. His seemingly innate ability to be empathetic and compassionate with the utmost humility served him well as he led and advocated for all types and varieties of people across a multitude of projects and programs. Mr. Stevenson is one of the most selfless people I have ever known, always willing to help others in need. He is brave and courageous, willing to self-sacrifice his own gain or benefit for the protection and well-being of others. I am most grateful and honored to have known him and had the privilege of working with him on several projects and objectives.

I am confident that Mr. Stevenson will make an excellent addition to the State of Nevada's Minority Affairs Board. Please feel free to contact me if you require any additional information.

Sincerely,

Sarah J. McCrea-Dameron

Nevada Partners, Inc.
September 3rd, 2025

To the Members of the Nevada Commission on Minority Affairs,

I am writing to recommend Jon Stevenson for a seat on the Nevada Commission on Minority Affairs. Since 2023, Jon has served as the Director of Community Engagement at Nevada Partners, where he builds meaningful bridges between UNLV and communities across Southern Nevada. In this position, he has consistently demonstrated a deep commitment to equity, partnership development, and inclusive outreach.

Jon has contributed to initiatives that connect families to vital resources, support minority-owned businesses, and reinforce trust among residents, nonprofits, and institutional partners. His talent for bringing diverse stakeholders together aligns well with the Commission's work in addressing key issues—such as housing, employment, education, healthcare, and public policy.

Jon's thoughtful communication, cultural awareness, and his practice of centering community needs in every decision make him uniquely qualified for this role. I'm confident he will strengthen the Commission's ability to foster equity and amplify minority voices across the state.

Please feel free to reach out to me with any questions—my email is

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Sincerely,

Lizette Guillen Collins

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Attn: Chair, Nevada Minority Affairs Board

Dear Chair,

I am truly honored to recommend Mr. Jon Stevenson II, a leader I admire deeply for both his professional excellence and his unwavering commitment to equity and community. Jon's journey reflects not only his impressive credentials but also his dedication to people, ensuring that everyone is seen, heard, and valued.

Jon dedicated more than 27 years to the Las Vegas Fire Department, where he rose to the role of Assistant Fire Chief. In that position, he guided teams through complex challenges with steadiness and compassion, always ensuring that the diverse communities of Las Vegas felt seen, heard, and protected. His leadership was never just about operations; it was about fairness, inclusion, and building trust where it mattered most.

Today, Jon continues his legacy of service as the Director of the Tourism Business Igniter Program at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas. In this role, he not only demonstrates his business acumen but also his unique ability to empower others. He works side by side with aspiring entrepreneurs, many from underrepresented groups, helping them transform ideas into viable businesses. Jon's gift for seeing talent and possibility where others might not, and his patient and encouraging approach, make him an influential leader.

What makes Jon so exceptional is the way he balances vision with humanity. He brings people together, opens doors for those who have historically been excluded, and leads with authenticity, humility, and empowerment. His ability to make people feel valued and capable is a testament to the kind of leadership our state needs more of.

For these reasons, I wholeheartedly recommend Jon Stevenson II. His career, his character, and his genuine care for others will make him an altruistic and efficacious member of the Nevada Minority Affairs Board. He will not only bring wisdom and



experience, but also an inspiring presence that will uplift everyone he works with. I am confident that Jon will be a valuable addition to your team.

Thank you for considering this recommendation. I would be happy to share more about why I hold Jon in such high regard. Please feel free to reach out to me at [REDACTED]

With Respect and Gratitude,

Dr. Melvin R. King III
COO, InspireWorks HR Solutions