

THE EIGHTEENTH DAY

CARSON CITY (Thursday), February 19, 2009

Senate called to order at 11:15 a.m.

President Krolicki presiding.

Roll called.

All present except Senator Lee, who was excused.

Prayer by the Chaplain, Pastor Gary Gryte.

Father in Heaven, thank You for loving us with Your whole heart. We pray that we would return to You and Your children the same devotion, care and grace You have shown to us.

You have promised us peace beyond our imagination if we will but open up our hearts and share everything with You. Let this be our blessing today.

Thank You for answering in the Name of Jesus.

AMEN.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Senator Horsford moved that further reading of the Journal be dispensed with, and the President and Secretary be authorized to make the necessary corrections and additions.

Motion carried.

SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY
VETO MESSAGE OF THE GOVERNOR

The hour of 11:17 a.m. having arrived, Vetoed Senate Bill No. 146 of the 74th Session was considered.

Vetoed Senate Bill No. 146 of the 74th Session.

Bill read.

Governor's message stating his objections read.

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR
STATE OF NEVADA
EXECUTIVE CHAMBER
CARSON CITY, NEVADA 89701

June 15, 2007

THE HONORABLE ROSS MILLER, *Secretary of State*
Capitol Building, Carson City, Nevada 89701-4747

DEAR SECRETARY MILLER:

I am herewith forwarding to you, for filing within the constitutional time limit and without my approval, Senate Bill No. 146 (of the 74th Session), which is entitled:

AN ACT relating to the financial administration of counties; authorizing the boards of county commissioners of certain counties to levy an ad valorem tax to pay the costs of operating a regional facility for the detention of children; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

The goal sought by this bill is a good one. However, this bill will almost certainly result in increased property taxes in several counties without allowing the voters in those counties an opportunity to have their voice heard. We must strive for solutions to Nevada's problems that are not based on tax increases. I pledge my support to finding such a solution to the compelling need for a juvenile justice facility in our rural counties. However, I cannot justify doing so by way of authorizing a tax increase, particularly where the will of the voters has not been

demonstrated. For this reason, I hereby exercise my constitutional grant of authority and veto Senate Bill No. 146.

Sincerely,
JIM GIBBONS
Governor

Mr. President announced that if there were no objections, the Senate would recess subject to the call of the Chair.

Senate in recess at 11:19 a.m.

SENATE IN SESSION

At 11:27 a.m.

President Krolicki presiding.

Quorum present.

The question was put: "Shall the bill pass, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor?"

Remarks by Senator Coffin.

Senator Coffin requested that his remarks be entered in the Journal.

Thank you, Mr. President. I am going to sustain the Governor's veto but not for the reasons that he indicates.

We are going to have other bills come to us involving taxation from the representatives of local governments as Senate Bill No. 146 of the 74th Session came to the Legislature. In a republic, we try to depend upon the reliability of the elected officials, and if they decide to ask us for help, we certainly ought to weigh decisions on their side since they are chosen by the people.

I will sustain, but I can assure the body we are going to have similar bills coming to us, and it should not be an indicator as to an endorsement of a particular position.

The roll was called, and the Senate sustained the veto of the Governor by the following vote:

Roll call on Senate Bill No. 146 of the 74th Session:

YEAS—None.

NAYS—Amodei, Breeden, Care, Carlton, Cegavske, Coffin, Copening, Hardy, Horsford, Mathews, McGinness, Nolan, Parks, Raggio, Rhoads, Schneider, Townsend, Washington, Wiener, Woodhouse—20.

EXCUSED—Lee.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Mr. President:

Your Committee on Government Affairs, to which were referred Senate Bills Nos. 63, 96, 105, has had the same under consideration, and begs leave to report the same back with the recommendation: Do pass.

JOHN J. LEE, *Chair*

Mr. President:

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred Senate Joint Resolution No. 9 of the 74th Session, has had the same under consideration, and begs leave to report the same back with the recommendation: Do pass.

TERRY CARE, *Chair*

MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND NOTICES

By Senators Horsford, Amodei, Breeden, Care, Carlton, Cegavske, Coffin, Copening, Hardy, Lee, Mathews, McGinness, Nolan, Parks, Raggio, Rhoads,

Schneider, Townsend, Washington, Wiener, Woodhouse; Assemblymen Dondero Loop, Aizley, Anderson, Arberry, Atkinson, Bobzien, Buckley, Carpenter, Christensen, Claborn, Cobb, Conklin, Denis, Gansert, Goedhart, Goicoechea, Grady, Gustavson, Hambrick, Hardy, Hogan, Horne, Kihuen, Kirkpatrick, Koivisto, Leslie, Manendo, Mastroluca, McArthur, McClain, Mortenson, Munford, Ocegüera, Ohrenschall, Parnell, Pierce, Segerblom, Settelmeyer, Smith, Spiegel, Stewart and Woodbury:

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 8—Honoring Guy Rocha for his extraordinary service as Nevada's State Archivist.

WHEREAS, Guy Louis Rocha, Nevada's State Archivist since 1981, retired on February 2, 2009, after serving this State with great skill, expertise and tireless passion for its history and is regarded as one of the foremost experts on the annals of our State and its political foundations and leaders; and

WHEREAS, Nevada's State Archives program, which Guy Rocha carefully guided and enhanced for 28 years, preserves the records that document our governmental history dating back to 1851; and

WHEREAS, Through the hard work and vision of Guy Rocha and his staff, Nevada's State Archives now maintains and preserves, in a well-designed, functional and accessible facility, more than 15,000 cubic feet of territorial and state government records and over 100,000 images of the people and places of Nevada that provide visual information which complement the Archives' documentation of Nevada history; and

WHEREAS, In coordination with leaders of the Senate and the staff of the Legislative Counsel Bureau, Guy Rocha worked diligently for 20 years to research and identify early members of the Nevada Senate who made exemplary contributions to the State that merited their induction into the Senate Hall of Fame; and

WHEREAS, The Assembly Wall of Distinction and projects recognizing former Assembly Speakers benefited from Guy Rocha's research and deep understanding and appreciation of the Nevada Legislature and the State's political history; and

WHEREAS, With great enthusiasm, Guy Rocha dug into Nevada's rich and complex history, willingly shared the many veins of knowledge he uncovered and brought this remarkable story back to life for modern-era Nevadans to both learn from and enjoy; and

WHEREAS, Guy's efforts to promote knowledge and understanding of Nevada's fascinating past include hosting the *History for Lunch Bunch*, a local radio program, and the *High Desert Forum* on National Public Radio in Reno, being featured on numerous public television segments in *The Nevada Experience* series and serving as a consultant and commentator for a critically acclaimed documentary on the A&E Network, *Las Vegas: Gamble in the Desert/House of Cards*; and

WHEREAS, Guy Rocha, who grew up in southern Nevada, graduated from Clark High School, received his bachelor's degree from Syracuse University and his master's degree from San Diego State University and took postgraduate studies in history at the University of Nevada, Reno, is perhaps best known as the author of the popular newspaper column "Historical Myth a Month," in which Guy debunked local historical myths that long went unchallenged, using his strong belief that "the truth matters"; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, THE ASSEMBLY CONCURRING, That the members of the 75th Nevada Legislature recognize that throughout his service to this State, Guy Rocha demonstrated exceptional dedication, enthusiasm and perseverance in accurately chronicling and properly preserving Nevada's history; and be it further

RESOLVED, That Nevadans will forever remember the benefits Guy has bestowed on this State, its vital public records program and its overall historical awareness; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Secretary of the Senate prepare and transmit a copy of this resolution to Guy Rocha.

Senator Horsford moved the adoption of the resolution.

Remarks by Senators Horsford, Cegavske, Raggio, Coffin, Wiener, Amodei and President Krolicki.

Senator Horsford requested that the following remarks be entered in the Journal.

SENATOR HORSFORD:

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 8 does a fine job of highlighting the major accomplishments of Guy Rocha as Nevada's State Archivist, but there is so much more. Guy is a wonderful example of a state employee who continually gave more to his job and the State than his job description ever required. He was always available to put in extra hours without pay, to research topics on short notice and provide outstanding written materials based on that research.

After office hours, Guy frequently made presentations to groups who wanted to learn more about the fascinating history of our great State. He was never one to pull his punches. You always knew that Guy was giving you the straight scoop with complete candor and truthfulness, and without bias. Guy researched in great detail and wrote historical information on many special topics. He provided work detailing the transformation of Las Vegas into the gaming and entertainment capitol of world, and historical documentation of the reclamation projects that provided more water for use in Nevada. He also provided fascinating and original background information concerning the construction of Hoover Dam. Additionally, he researched the history of organized labor in Nevada and the Special Legislative Session of 1908 that created the Nevada State Police to deal with the conflict between labor unions and mining operators in Goldfield. Guy also authored an intriguing history of the sport of boxing in Nevada.

Like all of us in the Nevada Legislature, I know that representatives from both the print and electronic media have lost a great resource. Guy always seemed to have the right answer at the right time whenever he needed to provide an historical truth or perspective. His dedication to his job, and the knowledge and skill he exercised in the performance of that job, impressed everyone who worked with him. We will miss you as you leave your place in this role.

Knowing Guy is a Clark High School graduate—Go Chargers—gives me great pride. He will celebrate his retirement on Saturday, but we are seizing the opportunity on behalf of all the Legislators to recognize his accomplishments today. We hope and pray he will be able to continue his outstanding research and writing on Nevada's history during his well-deserved retirement years. Congratulations.

SENATOR CEGAVSKE:

I stand in support of Senate Concurrent Resolution 8. It has been my honor during my 13 years in the Legislature to work with Guy Rocha. I cannot thank him enough for all he did to help me with the CD production of the history of Nevada during my second session. I credit Guy with leading me to other people in this State to help in that production. Many of you do not know that the CD is available. It illustrates times in our history, and many Legislators provided their voices for stories included on the CD. I became a one-room schoolteacher on the CD; Senator Jacobson and Senator Joe Neal also participated in other stories. It is a wonderful piece of artwork. A guide for teachers is included along with the CD.

Completion of the CD could not have been accomplished without his help and guidance. I thank him for that and his friendship. Guy is always accessible, and he is always there when needed. He answers the phone and is genuinely excited to help to get the information you are searching for.

I thought I knew much about him. I had no idea that his accomplishments were so broad. I should not be surprised. Guy has ambition and an incredible love for the State of Nevada. My colleagues and I hope he will continue to write and enhance our lives with his knowledge. My hat is off to him. Thank you, very much.

SENATOR RAGGIO:

Thank you, Mr. President. I would be remiss if I did not add a few comments on the occasion of our Archivist's retirement. I hope his retirement is in name only, because I will continue to call on him. There is no one I know who knows more about the State of Nevada, the West or the United States than Guy Rocha. Throughout the 28 years he has served in that position, I have

probably bothered him more than most on matters involving the Senate. When our former Majority Leader, Senator Jim Gibson, died, we set up the Senate Hall of Fame. Guy Rocha and our Research Division have been responsible for the inclusion or omission of anyone in the Senate Hall of Fame. When Guy is not around, I do not know whose names will be placed into the Hall of Fame. Guy's research goes back to 1864 and has highlighted many individuals who served in this body. We will miss his helpful information.

Guy, I hope you will continue to lend your talent to those projects. We will call on you whether you are retired or not which will be that much better for us because you will not be paid. Guy, your knowledge is something that does not retire. It is the type of knowledge that needs to be utilized.

On a personal note, I know I have asked him to do many things and he has completed the tasks far beyond what was requested. One time he even told me about some of my nefarious relatives who preceded me in this State. I found I did not really want to know about them, either.

Thank you for 28 years of dedicated service. You never asked how many hours, you just did what was necessary. Your columns where you correct historical inaccuracies are very interesting. Please remain a part of this State.

Thank you.

SENATOR COFFIN:

Thank you, Mr. President. I have enjoyed the remarks made here, today. In 1983, I watched Guy wrestle with the Chair of Ways and Means, and as a wrestler, he has the qualities of a wrestler: strength, speed, agility, endurance and the ability to think ahead. Wrestling is like the chess of contact sports. Guy has taken those qualities to the Legislature for the past 14 or 15 sessions and has applied them to us. I often felt I was the victim of a stranglehold because there was little choice but to increase his budget. Whether he used moral persuasion or just plain common sense, it helped because we all knew that he represented the face of many of the cultural budgets we have. He helped all of us, especially the new people, to remember how important it is to preserve those budgets. Without those budgets, the soul of Nevada drifts away.

I spoke during the Committee of the Whole during the December Special Session. We talked about what Guy had done for us. He worked during Thanksgiving Day and the entire Thanksgiving weekend on his own volition because of the interest he had in a major issue. We needed to keep the budget in balance and to determine whether the State had ever borrowed operating expenses. He found precedents for that occurring. It was not something we wanted to do, and it runs against our grain. Guy worked the entire weekend without charging us. We know many things about Guy, and there are many more things we could say in addition. He grew up in my neighborhood in Las Vegas. We enjoyed the same climate, the same observations of the same school girls, and it goes without saying that he grew up in the best part of Las Vegas. He went to Clark High School.

Thank you, Mr. President, for allowing me the liberty to speak about Guy. He is a wonderful institution, and though not moldy yet, we hope he will not sit still during his retirement.

SENATOR WIENER:

Thank you, Mr. President. I rise in support of Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 8. My colleague from Clark County alluded to the fact that he knew Guy during the earlier part of his life. I must take claim to having the longest history with him, beyond four decades. We went to John C. Fremont Jr. High School together, and before coming into the Chamber today, we reminisced about teachers we had shared and memories we explored. We reminded ourselves of the things that are no longer there in Las Vegas.

Last summer, as I was working with staff to create the agenda for the Nevada Youth Legislature orientation program, we wanted the most extraordinary keynote speaker to address the young people. We wanted them to have an inspiration. I called Guy. He explained to me that he had a very serious health challenge. His vision was dangerously impaired, and he was in a high-risk time of his life. He did not know if he would be available for the date of the program and if he would be able to participate. He still said yes because it was the youth of our State. The evening of the presentation at the Governor's Mansion, the young people were enraptured. There was no way they could have known he was facing such a profound challenge. He did it because he had said he would. It was the most memorable evening. That exchange with the youth

legislators changed their lives. He is someone who has revered history, especially in Nevada, and given life to things we had only read in books, and he made them meaningful to us in a dimension that otherwise might not be possible.

Guy, you have spent your whole life protecting history. You created history for them. Your legacy will live in the youth legislators of our State. I am certain we can call on you again to encourage those who will follow them to have the same love of Nevada history that you inspired in them that evening.

Thank you very much, my friend, Guy, from so many years ago to today and the years ahead.

SENATOR AMODEI:

Guy Rocha is part of the fabric of this community. He coached the high school wrestling students. He played a pivotal role in having to choose between the Assembly and the Senate in biannual softball games. He played a key role in the games, though we did get into some hard times because of his failure to have my colleague from Churchill County take batting practice the year we had the winning run on third base and he whiffed. Guy, I hope you will continue to assist us.

While I did not know you while you were a Fremont Jr. High School Lancer, I will say that I appreciate the help you gave to a sophomore at the University of Nevada, Reno, before you became a media hotshot. At that time, you were just working for the Historical Society. You helped me get the only B I got in my college career on a paper.

Guy represents the importance of cultural resources to a State like this. He has been one of the standard-bearers for that generally and specifically in many ways, and I share his concern and understand the importance. Thank you, Guy, for your efforts.

MR. PRESIDENT:

Thank you, I would like to offer my comments. Guy is an extraordinary person, and one thing that has not been mentioned today, is that, I believe, the sustaining of Nevada as a State is because of actions taken by Guy Rocha.

When I worked in the Office of the Treasurer in the 1990s, a couple from Montello, in Elko County, came to the office and presented a bond that was issued in 1864 at 24-percent interest which was to be paid until the bond was redeemed and retired. There were some very small holes in the bond, and the couple argued that the holes were from nails in the building, and it had not been redeemed. They were asking for trillions of dollars. The magic of compounding money is an extraordinary thing.

Guy, the Archivist, brought out the journals and demonstrated that Ebenezer Rhoads and others had successfully redeemed those bonds, and we did not have to hand over the entire State of Nevada to this couple from Elko County.

Thank you, sir.

Resolution adopted.

Senator Horsford moved that all necessary rules be suspended and that Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 8 be immediately transmitted to the Assembly.

Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. President announced that if there were no objections, the Senate would recess subject to the call of the Chair.

Senate in recess at 11:56 a.m.

SENATE IN SESSION

At 12:00 p.m.

President Krolicki presiding.

Quorum present.

By Senators Rhoads, Amodei, Breeden, Care, Carlton, Cegavske, Coffin, Copenig, Hardy, Horsford, Lee, Mathews, McGinness, Nolan, Parks, Raggio, Schneider, Townsend, Washington, Wiener, Woodhouse; Assemblymen Carpenter, Aizley, Anderson, Arberry, Atkinson, Bobzien, Buckley, Christensen, Claborn, Cobb, Conklin, Denis, Dondero Loop, Gansert, Goedhart, Goicoechea, Grady, Gustavson, Hambrick, Hardy, Hogan, Horne, Kihuen, Kirkpatrick, Koivisto, Leslie, Manendo, Mastroluca, McArthur, McClain, Mortenson, Munford, Oceguela, Ohrenschall, Parnell, Pierce, Segerblom, Settelmeyer, Smith, Spiegel, Stewart and Woodbury:

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 9—Commemorating the 25th anniversary of the National Cowboy Poetry Gathering in Elko.

WHEREAS, For many people, the word "cowboy" conjures up thoughts of John Wayne in worn cowboy boots and a hat that has seen better days, a rough and tough cowhand, six-shooter in one hand and a whip in the other, driving cattle through treacherous country; and

WHEREAS, Every year, the small community of Elko overflows with people honoring a less familiar side of the cowboy, the spinner of tall tales sitting around the campfire, the poet on horseback trying to relieve the boredom of long rides on the trail; and

WHEREAS, Produced by the Western Folklife Center, the National Cowboy Poetry Gathering is celebrating its Silver Anniversary, 25 years of poetry, music, dancing, storytelling, good food and camaraderie, and performers from the last quarter century have been invited for a very special reunion to take the stage once again for an encore; and

WHEREAS, While many of the poems and ballads are humorous, others deal with friendship, the hardships of life, and the love of freedom, land and open skies, or evoke memories of a lost romance or a disappearing way of life; and

WHEREAS, The many celebrants at the Gathering go for days with little sleep, attending such events as poetry readings, concerts, dances and workshops on such diverse subjects as horsemanship, breadmaking, photography, rawhide braiding, mandolin playing, swing dancing and yodeling, then on to after-parties to catch up with old friends; and

WHEREAS, This year's keynote speaker will be former United States Supreme Court Justice Sandra Day O'Connor, the first woman to serve as a United States Supreme Court Justice, who describes in her book *Lazy B: Growing Up On a Cattle Ranch in the American Southwest* how growing up on a cattle ranch in Arizona shaped her into the self-reliant woman she is today; and

WHEREAS, While only 6 of the 28 poets in the first year of the Gathering were women, there are many featured cowgirls today, mostly women raised in ranching families, who are telling stories about the heart and soul of the West from a woman's point of view; and

WHEREAS, In celebration of the Silver Anniversary of the Gathering, the Western Folklife Center and the Nevada Museum of Art have partnered for a joint exhibition entitled "Between Grass and Sky," featuring finely crafted leather saddles and silver engraved bits with rawhide reins and rommels, Western art in oils and pastels, photographs and sculptures, combined with the spoken voices of cowboy poets; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, THE ASSEMBLY CONCURRING, That the members of the 75th Nevada Legislature congratulate the National Cowboy Poetry Gathering on its Silver Anniversary and urge all Nevadans to celebrate this event which recognizes the unique contributions of cowboys to our Western culture; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Secretary of the Senate prepare and transmit a copy of this resolution to Charlie Seemann, Executive Director of the Western Folklife Center.

Senator Rhoads moved the adoption of the resolution.

Remarks by Senator Rhoads.

Senator Rhoads requested that his remarks be entered in the Journal.

Since it was founded in 1980, the Western Folklife Center in Elko has worked to expand our understanding of our neighbors and ourselves by celebrating the everyday traditions of people who live and work in the American West.

Though it is best known for producing the National Cowboy Poetry Gathering, the Western Folklife Center continually provides exhibitions, performances and a full array of educational programs at its cultural center in Elko and in communities across the West.

Started in 1985 by a small group of folklorists and poets, the Gathering has become an annual ritual for thousands of people who celebrate the rural West through the contemporary and traditional art forms that arise from caring for land and livestock.

The Elko Gathering reinvigorated a tradition, and over the last 24 years, hundreds of other cowboy poetry gatherings have taken place across the Nation. In 2000, the U.S. Senate recognized that the Elko Gathering was responsible for this cultural renaissance and passed a resolution naming it the National Cowboy Poetry Gathering.

The year 2009 marks the 25th anniversary of the Gathering. Last month, despite our struggling economy, ticket sales boomed, and Elko overflowed with thousands of cowboys and cowgirls, poets and musicians, artisans and scholars, rural people and city folks—bringing with them over \$7 million to Elko's businesses.

Today, Charlie Seemann, the Executive Director of the Western Folklife Center, joins me as the Nevada Legislature recognizes the importance of the National Cowboy Poetry Gathering to our cultural heritage in Nevada and the West by commemorating its 25th Anniversary.

Resolution adopted.

Senator Rhoads moved that all necessary rules be suspended and that Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 9 be immediately transmitted to the Assembly.

Motion carried unanimously.

MESSAGES FROM THE ASSEMBLY

ASSEMBLY CHAMBER, Carson City, February 19, 2009

To the Honorable the Senate:

I have the honor to inform your honorable body that the Assembly on this day adopted Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 8.

DIANE M. Keetch
Assistant Chief Clerk of the Assembly

MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND NOTICES

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 8.—Designating February 19, 2009, as E Clampus Vitus Day at the Nevada Legislature.

WHEREAS, It has come to the attention of the Nevada Legislature that the Ancient and Honorable Order of E Clampus Vitus has maintained its honorable status throughout the known world and especially in this great State of Nevada; and

WHEREAS, The Ancient and Honorable and Exceedingly Humble Order of E Clampus Vitus has survived the test of time to become one of the longest surviving brotherhoods of men that continue to fulfill a fundamental need in providing protection and kindness while advancing the noble cause of Clamperdom to residents of the Silver State, especially all the "widders" and orphans, and descendants of the Argonauts; and

WHEREAS, The Honorable Order of E Clampus Vitus was founded in West Virginia in 1845 by Ephram Bee, owner of a tavern on the National Road, and shortly thereafter the warmhearted brothers affectionately became known as the "Clampin Vipers"; and

WHEREAS, In 1860, William Stewart founded the first Ancient and Honorable Order of E Clampus Vitus, Winnemucca Lodge #1, in the Utah Territory, in the unsuspecting peaceful town known as Carson City; and

WHEREAS, The creed of the Clamproctors, yesterday, as well as today, is "to protect the 'widders' and orphans, and MAINLY the 'widders' "; and

WHEREAS, The State of Nevada is proud to continue the tradition of 164 years of devoted service with the Nevada chapters, which now include the Snowshoe Thompson Chapter of Douglas County, the Julia C. Bulette Chapter of the Comstock, the Lucinda Jane Saunders Chapter of Elko County and the Queho Chapter of Clark County; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That the members of the 75th Session of the Nevada Legislature, of whom many are proud members of E Clampus Vitus, do hereby declare February 19, 2009, as E Clampus Vitus Day at the Nevada Legislature, a day to be marked by appropriate revelry and thanksgiving; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Ancient and Honorable Order of E Clampus Vitus is praised and commended for its contributions to mankind and others, and recognized as an illustrious group of Clampers, Clampatious, Vituscans and Frolicking Friars who must continue to serve and protect the residents of the Silver State; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly prepare and transmit a copy of this resolution to the Patriarchs of E Clampus Vitus.

Senator Amodei moved the adoption of the resolution.

Remarks by Senators Amodei, Nolan and Raggio.

Senator Amodei requested that the following remarks be entered in the Journal.

SENATOR AMODEI:

Thank you, Mr. President. It is appropriate that we honor the E Clampus Vitus members today for their cultural contributions to this State. They give commemorative plaques and other things to preserve the history of the State. To read the resolution, you would not know that, but I can assure you that for those of you who are interested, there is a lot of their work throughout the State because of their public service.

The resolution says this is an exceedingly humble order. For those of you who are members, you know that upon membership you are given the title of "Chairman of the Most Important Committee." That is a fairly important title for people in this business. I am not certain where the most important committee meets or who the members are, but everyone is a chairman.

Nationwide, this organization has nearly 400,000 members. While we have some fun with these members each year, I do want to apologize for not wearing red, but I am wearing black. Some other members are wearing red and black, and I salute you for that.

The names of the chapters are interesting. There is a chapter in Bishop, California, not Nevada, but I like the name. It is called the Slim Princess. That is not a comment about the anatomy of a woman, but is in fact talking about a narrow gauge railroad whose nickname was "the Princess." "Slim" referred to the narrow gauge of the rail. It is an interesting name. I belong to the Snowshoe Thompson Chapter, which has its own historical connotations.

I urge your support of Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 8.

SENATOR NOLAN:

I reluctantly rise in support of the resolution primarily out of fear for my life. In 1995, I was coerced by my colleague, then Assemblyman Amodei, Speaker Joe Dini and former Assemblyman Bob Price and lured to the "dooins" of the E Clampus Vitus under the promise that it was going to be a socially redeeming and very highly politically valuable experience for me. I am still seeking therapy after my initial activation and having been continually beaten over the head by something called the "Staff of Life." I have received the e-mails. If you think the e-mails we got on the primary seatbelt bill were threatening, wait until you start getting the Clampers e-mails and messages and they start knocking on your door to attend the event tonight. I will do my best to be there. The events, referred to as the "dooins," are great. You get to meet all sorts of colorful characters from around the State. There is a lot of revelry and frivolity, and I look forward to trying to see you tonight.

SENATOR RAGGIO:

Thank you, Mr. President. I need to declare a conflict.

Along with another unsuspecting fellow, Grant Sawyer, I was inducted in 1962 into the Julia Bulette Chapter of the Comstock. That was a very warm experience.

Over the years, there has been a lot of fun, but I also commend the association for what they do for historical markers and the recognition they give to some of the old days of our State.

Resolution adopted.

Resolution ordered transmitted to the Assembly.

Senator Care moved that Senate Bills Nos. 23, 100 be taken from the General File and placed on the General File for the next legislative day.

Remarks by Senator Care.

Motion carried.

INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING AND REFERENCE

By Senators Hardy, Amodei, Breeden, Care, Cegavske, Coffin, Copening, Horsford, Mathews, McGinness, Nolan, Parks, Raggio, Rhoads, Schneider, Townsend, Washington, Wiener and Woodhouse:

Senate Bill No. 148—AN ACT relating to education; authorizing the Board of Regents of the University of Nevada to waive tuition and fees for certain members of the Armed Forces of the United States and certain spouses and dependent children of persons who were killed or disabled while serving in the Armed Forces of the United States; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Hardy moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Health and Education.

Motion carried.

By Senator Rhoads:

Senate Bill No. 149—AN ACT relating to common-interest communities; exempts limited-purpose associations that are created for a rural agricultural residential common-interest community from certain fees; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Rhoads moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Motion carried.

By Senators Rhoads, Amodei and McGinness:

Senate Bill No. 150—AN ACT relating to education; creating the Public Education Stabilization Fund; prescribing the circumstances under which money may be allocated from the Fund; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Rhoads moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Motion carried.

By Senator Carlton:

Senate Bill No. 151—AN ACT relating to contractors; providing for the payment of claims from the Recovery Fund of the State Contractors' Board

under certain circumstances to an owner who has paid a subcontractor or materialman to obtain the release of a lien on his property; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Carlton moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Commerce and Labor.

Motion carried.

By Senators Horsford, Schneider, Carlton, Breeden, Wiener, Copening; Assemblymen Buckley, Ocegüera, Conklin, Kirkpatrick, Bobzien and Leslie:

Senate Bill No. 152—AN ACT relating to energy; providing for the training of persons to perform jobs which promote energy efficiency; requiring governmental entities to perform certain functions to promote energy efficiency; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Horsford moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Energy, Infrastructure and Transportation.

Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS
SIGNING OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

There being no objections, the President and Secretary signed Assembly Concurrent Resolutions Nos. 6, 7.

GUESTS EXTENDED PRIVILEGE OF SENATE FLOOR

On request of Senator Amodei, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to the following members of E. Clampus Vitus: Dan Stark, Tom Crawford, Richard Jones, Elenilson "Sancho" Santos, Matthew Klahn, Richard Wilson, Stacey "Papa Bear" Wilhelmi, Darwin "Radar" Hückebe, Rob "Roxie" Clark, Ellis Nelson, Scott "Goat" Wood, Precious Bob Inderbieten, Steve "PC" Sherman, Rick "Buba" Carpenter, Jeremy Sternod, Ron Bradley, Scoop Robich, Tom Ries, John Boyne, Jamie "Charles" Ames, Reid Slayden; the following students and adults from the Faith Baptist Academy: Eliza Alt, Rosemary Cervi, Alex Miller, Andrew Montgomery, Jonathan Montgomery; adults: Jack Hammonds, Justin Evans and Sharon Wehing; the following members and chaperones of Future Farmers of America: Jimmy Lotspeich, Charlie Mann, Nicole Connelly, Sephanie Licht, Casey Simmers, Daphne Reynolds, Dean Kelly, Josh Gruver, Brandon Suwinski, Jordan Oxborrow, Rachel Roundy, Mandy O'Donnell, Jacqueline Hoss, Tayler Landa, Rachael Evans, Rowdy Hutchison, Rachelle Rader, Nicole Witherow, Jasmine Dülgar, Angela Vesco, Nathan Whipple; chaperones: Robin Simmers, Joe Baptist, Bill Laird and Don Noorda.

On request of Senator Horsford, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Guy Rocha and Victoria Rocha.

On request of Senator Rhoads, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Charlie Seeman; the following members of Future Farmers of America: Kristin Wurtz, Ariel Marshall,

Grae Matheus, Kali Evanson, Kadee Buckmaster, Ashley O'Flaherty, Tamia Lister, Megan Johnson, Lance Thompson, Clark Phillips, John Hoehne, Mason Garrett, Rachel Wagner and Coralee Ditnan.

Senator Horsford moved that the Senate adjourn until Friday, February 20, 2009, at 10:30 a.m.

Motion carried.

Senate adjourned at 12:22 p.m.

Approved:

BRIAN K. KROLICKI
President of the Senate

Attest: CLAIRE J. CLIFT

Secretary of the Senate