
ASSEMBLY CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 11—ASSEMBLYMEN
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BUSTAMANTE ADAMS, CARLTON, CARRILLO, COHEN,
DALY, DIAZ, EDWARDS, FLORES, FRIERSON, FUMO,
HAMBRICK, HANSEN, JAUREGUI, JOINER, KRAMER,
KRASNER, MARCHANT, MCARTHUR, MCCURDY II,
MILLER, MONROE-MORENO, NEAL, OHRENSCHALL,
OSCARSON, PICKARD, SPIEGEL, SPRINKLE, SWANK,
THOMPSON, TITUS, TOLLES, WATKINS, WHEELER,
WOODBURY AND YEAGER

APRIL 28, 2017

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MANENDO, PARKS, RATTI, ROBERSON, SEGERBLUM,
SETTELMAYER, SPEARMAN AND WOODHOUSE

Read and Adopted

SUMMARY—Celebrates the life of former Assemblyman John C.
Carpenter Jr. (BDR R-1145)

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

ASSEMBLY CONCURRENT RESOLUTION—Celebrating the
life of former Assemblyman John C. Carpenter Jr.

- 1 WHEREAS, The members of the Nevada Legislature on this day
- 2 remember and celebrate the life of an esteemed colleague and
- 3 dedicated public servant, former State Assemblyman John C.
- 4 Carpenter; and
- 5 WHEREAS, John Carpenter was a true, native Nevadan, born to
- 6 John and Lucille Carpenter in Fallon, Nevada, on October 13, 1930,
- 7 and raised in Ely, Nevada, where he graduated from White Pine
- 8 High School; and



1 WHEREAS, In 1957, after finishing high school, John Carpenter
2 married his sweetheart, Roseann Slater and together they moved to
3 Elko County, where they purchased a sheep ranch and lived for the
4 next 60 years, working hard, raising seven successful children and
5 actively participating in the community; and

6 WHEREAS, John Carpenter's distinguished career in state and
7 local government included serving for 14 years on the Elko County
8 Board of Commissioners, and thereafter being elected to serve in the
9 Nevada State Assembly, representing District 33 for 24 years,
10 generally winning elections by large margins and running four times
11 unopposed; and

12 WHEREAS, John Carpenter tirelessly advocated for ranchers and
13 ensured that the voice of rural Nevada was heard in the Nevada
14 Legislature; and

15 WHEREAS, John Carpenter was known among his colleagues in
16 the Assembly for his cowboy drawl, his political shrewdness, his
17 kind heart and his lively sense of humor; and

18 WHEREAS, During the most difficult days of the legislative
19 session, John Carpenter would relieve the tension by serving as the
20 master of ceremonies when his fellow legislators donned cowboy
21 hats and a chosen few, those with the character of a real cowboy or
22 cowgirl, were inducted into the Cowboy Hall of Fame, or would
23 regale the Assembly with a recitation of the adventures of Susie Q, a
24 plastic tugboat that made arduous journeys down the rivers of rural
25 Nevada; and

26 WHEREAS, In 2000, John returned to his activist roots by leading
27 the Shovel Brigade, a resolute band of shovel-wielding protesters
28 who defied the United States Forest Service and reopened a road
29 near Jarbidge, Nevada; and

30 WHEREAS, John Carpenter was involved in every aspect of the
31 community in which he lived and has been credited with helping to
32 bring the Great Basin College and a convention center to Elko;
33 and

34 WHEREAS, John C. Carpenter was universally respected and
35 admired by all of the members of the Legislature who had the
36 privilege to know and work with him; now, therefore, be it

37 RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, THE
38 SENATE CONCURRING, That on this day, the members of the 79th
39 Session of the Nevada Legislature remember and celebrate the life
40 of John C. Carpenter and extend their deepest condolences to his
41 beloved wife Roseann Carpenter and their children John, Scott,
42 Elizabeth, Susan, Doug, Lois and Linda; and be it further;



1 RESOLVED, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly prepare and
2 transmit a copy of this resolution to Assemblyman Carpenter's wife
3 and children.

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