

THE EIGHTY-FIRST DAY

CARSON CITY (Thursday), April 25, 2019

Senate called to order at 11:35 a.m.

President Marshall presiding.

Roll called.

All present except Senators Denis and Washington, who were excused.

Prayer by Rajan Zed.

Om

bhur bhuvah savh

tat savitur varenyam

bhargo devasys dhimahi

dhiyo you nah prachodayat.

We meditate on the transcendental glory of the deity supreme who is inside the heart of the earth, inside the life of the sky and inside the soul of the heaven. May He stimulate and illuminate our minds.

vardhatam nah saca sa vam su-matih bhutu asme

avistam dhiyah jigrtam puram-dhih jasadstam aryah vanusam aratih.

May that good intention inside us grow and become a means of restraining the low thoughts.

May these well-reflected and comprehended thoughts move and spread out to rescue those awaiting to be released from the malignant ones.

anapeksah sucirdaksa udasino gatavyathah

sarvarambhaparityagi yo madbhaktah sa me priyah.

The devotee, who is detached, pure, efficient, impartial, never anxious, selfless in all undertakings, is very dear to God.

bhadram karnebhih srunuyama devah, bhadram pasyemak-sabhir yajatrah,

sthiraish angais tustuvamsas tanubhih, vyasema deva-hitam yad ayuh.

May we, O God, hear what is good for all.

May we see only what is good for all.

May we serve You all our life.

May we be used to spread Your peace on earth.

Om shanti, shanti, shanti.

Peace, peace, peace be unto all.

OM.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by Mackenzie Solferino.

By previous order of the Senate, the reading of the Journal is dispensed with, and the President and Secretary are authorized to make the necessary corrections and additions.

MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND NOTICES

By Senators Cannizzaro, Settlemeyer, Brooks, Cancela, Denis, Dondero Loop, Goicoechea, Hammond, Hansen, Hardy, Harris, Kieckhefer, Ohrenschall, Parks, Pickard, Ratti, Scheible, Seevers Gansert, Spearman, Washington and Woodhouse:

Senate Resolution No. 5—Inducting Valerie Wiener into the Senate Hall of Fame.

WHEREAS, The Senate of the Legislature of the State of Nevada has established a Senate Hall of Fame whose members are selected by leadership from those past Senators who have served with distinction and have made exemplary contributions to the State of Nevada; and

WHEREAS, Valerie Wiener was born in Las Vegas, Nevada, to Louis Wiener, Jr., a prominent attorney, and Tui Ava Knight; and

WHEREAS, Valerie graduated from Las Vegas High School, earned a bachelor's and master's degree in journalism from the University of Missouri and completed 3 years of study at the McGeorge School of Law; and

WHEREAS, Valerie served as press secretary for United States Senator Harry Reid and in 1988, she established Wiener Communications Group, a consulting firm specializing in corporate and interpersonal communications, and later established PowerMark Publishing, sharing her communications expertise through books, programs and seminars; and

WHEREAS, Valerie was elected to the Nevada Senate in 1996 and served for 16 years, making her the longest-serving female native Nevadan in the history of the Legislature and the first female Legislator to serve in leadership positions in both the majority and minority parties; and

WHEREAS, Valerie served on many Senate standing committees, including serving as Chair of the Health and Education Committee in 2009 and Chair of the Judiciary Committee in 2011; and

WHEREAS, Valerie had an impressive record of legislative successes, sponsoring approximately 90 bills, 75 of which became law, and because she proudly represented Senate District Number 7, Valerie also succeeded in having many of her bills end in her lucky number "7"; and

WHEREAS, Many of Valerie's bills were aimed at addressing the safety and well-being of vulnerable persons, promoting the physical fitness and health of children and combatting childhood obesity and she has also received several awards for her role in promoting healthy and active lifestyles for school children; and

WHEREAS, Valerie enthusiastically encouraged civic participation by participating in Nevada's Legislator Back to School Program and by sponsoring Senate Bill No. 247, which created the Nevada Youth Legislature in 2007, and which continues to this day as a successful program that trains, mentors and advises youth to be active citizens in the democratic process; and

WHEREAS, The residents of Nevada are healthier, safer and more deeply involved in civic affairs because of the efforts and leadership demonstrated by Valerie; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, That, for her many years of devoted service to the people of the State of Nevada and her continuing service as a mentor to the young people of this State, Senator Valerie Wiener is hereby inducted into the Senate Hall of Fame of the Legislature of the State of Nevada; and be it further

RESOLVED, That this resolution becomes effective upon passage.

Senator Cannizzaro moved the adoption of the resolution.

Remarks by Senators Cannizzaro, Woodhouse, Kieckhefer, Settlemeyer, Hammond, Hardy, Dondero Loop and Ohrenschall.

SENATOR CANNIZZARO:

It is a pleasure and an honor to say a few words about Senator Valerie Wiener, who is not only a prominent former Legislator as we have just heard, but also a friend and mentor to many of us who currently sit in this Body and those who are with us today. As you are all aware, the Senate Hall of Fame was established to honor former members of the Senate who served with great distinction and performed exceptional service for the people of the State of Nevada. It is my pleasure to support the induction of Senator Valerie Wiener into this select group.

Senator Wiener was elected to the Nevada Senate in 1996 and was a member for 16 years, making her Nevada's longest serving Nevada-born female Legislator. Her tenure encompassed eight regular and ten special Sessions. She was chosen by her colleagues for several leadership positions, including Senate Majority Whip, Senate Minority Whip and Assistant Senate Majority Floor Leader.

Senator Wiener is a native Nevadan whose family has been deeply involved in the Las Vegas community for many years. For example, few people realize that her father, Louis Wiener Jr., who

is generally remembered for his success as an attorney, also wrote the school song for Las Vegas High School. Senator Wiener has had an exceptional career as a journalist and political leader, but her real passion in life has been helping others succeed. Many of you have read her books. They have titles like: Power Communications: Positioning Yourself for High Visibility; Gang Free: Friendship Choices for Today's Youth; Winning the War Against Youth Gangs; and Power Positioning: Advancing Yourself as THE Expert. She has conducted numerous seminars and workshops to help others gain the skills they need to be effective in their work and personal lives. What few people know, because she seldom talks about it, is that she has for years taught seminars and classes in the prison system, taking a strong personal interest in her students, helping those whose lives, up to that point, have often been characterized by failure and frustration and offering a bright light to all of them.

Senator Wiener enjoyed tremendous success in getting her legislative measures enacted. Like a true Nevadan, she considered "7" her lucky number and went to great lengths to get bill numbers that ended in that digit. Apparently, it worked. Of the 90 bills that she introduced, 75 of them became law, a success rate that most of us will envy for years to come.

Senator Wiener was a passionate advocate for causes that were close to her heart. One of these causes was strengthening our democratic institutions and instilling in the rising generation a first-hand knowledge of how the institutions work. She was an enthusiastic supporter of the Legislature's Back-to-School Program. Each year, Senator Wiener visited all of the schools in her district, talking to thousands of students about the Legislature and principles of representative democracy. Later, she became the founder of the Nevada Youth Legislature and remains, as I can say from first-hand knowledge, its most fervent sponsor and participant. We have been joined this Session by the amazing youth from the Nevada Youth Legislature who do a phenomenal job.

She was also a strong advocate for fitness and health, especially for schoolchildren, and in this cause, she led by example. You might not think of this petite woman as an athlete, but she is. She has competed in the Senior Olympics for many years, winning gold medals in general fitness, swimming and weightlifting. She sponsored several key legislative measures on fitness, health and nutrition, and schoolchildren throughout Nevada are stronger and healthier because of her work.

In conclusion, Senator Valerie Wiener is one of those Legislators who has made a real, practical and immediate difference in the lives of our citizens. I am humbled by the opportunity to support this resolution for the induction of my friend and our distinguished former colleague, Senator Valerie Wiener.

SENATOR WOODHOUSE:

I am honored that our Senate has selected Senator Valerie Weiner as our Hall of Fame recipient this year. I have known Valerie for a long time, and she has been a best friend from the first day. When I was still in the Partnership Office with the Clark County School District, Valerie was one of the community volunteers I could always count on to come and speak, especially to our middle and high school students, on whatever the issue that might need to be addressed. I was first elected in 2006, and Valerie was my mentor here in 2007 and in 2009. She was the whip, and I remember her telling me: "You are not going to talk on this one," or "We do need you to talk on this one." That was before we had laptops on our desks; whips did a different job then.

I would also like to mention the work Senator Weiner has done on behalf of the health and safety of our children, seniors and veterans. I had the honor to serve on interim legislative committees with her where we brought good legislation forward, and we shall continue to do so.

Senator Weiner's legacy is the Nevada Youth Legislature. Her fervent and ferocious support of this program is undeniable. There are many young people who have had opportunities through this program in fostering leadership they might not have otherwise had. These young people will be taking our places, whether it will be in elected office or as presidents of companies, across the board, here, in the State of Nevada. I know some may also have gone on to other states, and we are blessed because of the work Senator Weiner has done for all of our young people. I am honored she is one of my special friends. Thank you, Valerie.

SENATOR KIECKHEFER:

I am happy to rise in support of Senate Resolution No. 5. In 2011, when I was a freshman in this Body, I was honored to serve on the Health and Human Services Committee with

Senator Weiner. This was right after the United States Congress had passed the HITECH Act, and we were trying to pass health-information technology legislation in the Senate. When it came to the Health and Human Services Committee, it was somewhat complicated and detailed and a decision was made to create a subcommittee. This was a robust subcommittee of two, which consisted of myself and Senator Weiner trying to go over this very robust subject. Instead of huddling in closed rooms, we had full-fledged public hearings which she chaired, with the two of us at the table to go over this bill in great detail to weigh all of the competing interests. For me, this was an exercise in how to have robust and detailed public input and debate on important subjects we are still learning about ourselves. That is a lesson I have tried to carry throughout my legislative career because it ends up creating greater policy. She was dedicated to ensuring the policy that came out of this building was sound. I carry this with me, and I am incredibly grateful for it.

SENATOR SETTELMAYER:

It is my honor to rise in support of Senate Resolution No. 5, an honor to work with you, even back in those Assembly days. There was no issue of Republican versus Democrat; you were always trying to do what was best for Nevadans. In that respect, you have always been a tremendous statesman to this State, and I am honored to stand here, today. The work you have done will live on forever. The Youth Legislature and things you have done to make sure there are people in each individual seat is important. You have always tried to make sure people feel their issues are heard, even contacting us in the middle of summer during haying time to keep things moving along. It is such an honor. Thank you for everything you have done.

SENATOR HAMMOND:

I have studied the *Nevada Constitution* and have taught a class on it. I have also taught history to college students, and I used to talk about Bill Raggio and Joe Dini. These names are synonymous with Nevada history. Everything I heard of Joe Dini, how he conducted himself and brought in new Legislators, sat them down and talked to them about what their goals were and what they wanted to accomplish, this is what I wanted to see and feel when I first ran. The first person who made me feel that history and made me feel like I was part of the Nevada Legislature was you. When you brought me into your office and sat me down, that was what I always wanted to feel and I talked about with my students.

The other thing we have in common is we both saw the potential of these young people. I could not pass up saying this today. We have this connection of being with high school students who absorb so much more when they get outside of the classroom where they learn so much. Your dedication to that is important because this is where the real learning takes place. I saw your dedication to the Nevada Youth Legislature and the fact you had to get on us to make sure we get our Legislators for the next Session. This is tremendous. This honor is befitting of someone who puts so much effort into what they have done. It is not about all the bills we have passed; it is about the other things. I appreciate all the work you have done and wholeheartedly endorse this honor. It will be welcoming to see your face every day on our Hall of Fame wall.

SENATOR HARDY:

I rise in support of Senate Resolution No. 5. I have learned things from you. I have learned "gifts, grants and donations," "pilot program," and I have learned that when you use those words with patience and persistence, they become codified and accepted in statute. I have learned the persistence and dedication you have had to people who have lost their memory. Bless you. You have touched many people with your ability to encourage and not enforce. You have truly been a person who has been appreciated and looked up to, no matter how short you are. You have been able to cross parties and philosophies and been able to bring people together. I appreciate everything you have done in your career, but I especially appreciate you as a person. Thank you so much.

SENATOR DONDERO LOOP:

I, too, rise in support of Senator Weiner and this incredible honor. I am going to talk on a personal level. As someone born in Las Vegas, it is no surprise that we knew each other as kids in a small dusty town. We were just repeating the story of my dad being her dad's teacher at

Las Vegas High School in 1931. We grew up throwing water balloons at each other, but Valerie always made sure that if you threw one at her, she got to throw one at you because it was all about sharing and taking turns. I was a lower classmate, but she was in school with some of my siblings, so we were all Wildcats; her dad, my dad and all of us. Then, I found her being my mother's friend first because they were in politics together.

I came to the Legislature in 2009, and Valerie became a colleague and a person I could go to and ask questions and get advice. I would see her scurrying around the halls in her tennis shoes. I did not quite get that until I started scurrying the halls myself when I realized you needed to have those tennis shoes on to get where you needed to go to fast.

I will forever be grateful to your family, but one of the things I have to thank you for is your kindness to my mother. She really valued you as a friend, and it was a wonderful experience of families who respected each other. You have been a friend for life, and I am honored to be here, today, to see this honor bestowed upon you. Congratulations.

SENATOR OHRENSCHALL:

I rise in support of Senate Resolution No. 5. Like many of the other speakers, I considered Senator Weiner a mentor, and I still do. I remember as an Assembly member during the 2011 Session when you chaired the Senate Judiciary Committee, we had many meetings in your office where you tried to help me with my bills, including a prickly eminent-domain bill where you spent countless hours trying to help me bring all the sides together. I have been impressed by the legislation you sponsored in the area of cyber-bullying, the Internet and trying to protect our children. I remember meeting with you during the interim. Many Legislators give out emergency numbers to their constituents or their seniors for poison control, but Senator Weiner had a 60-page document book of resources for seniors in her district she made sure every senior citizen had. This book not only had numbers but also contained helpful information. This was in an era when most seniors were not online, and it was a great resource. Since your retirement, I have been impressed with the work you have done with the Youth Legislature. I know you have inspired many young people we have seen come up here and advocate for bills. You are truly deserving of this honor, and I urge its passage.

Resolution adopted.

Senator Cannizzaro requested former Senator Valerie Wiener's remarks be entered in the Journal.

FORMER SENATOR WIENER:

I never made it to the Majority Leader's desk except to nudge Senator Horsford and say, "Are we supposed to do this next?" I am nervous; I am happy; I am proud, and I am humble because this Chamber has meant so much to me because of the work all of you do and that you carry on and honor this day.

If I look back to some of the firsts that come to mind as a Senator over those 16 years, I remember the first day I was here. I had an office, that prior to my being here, had been a storage room across from where the telephone operators worked. Before coming down to the Floor, Senator Raggio came to my office. I was scared to death of him. My blood pressure shot up even when I saw him from afar. He came in and said, "We fought hard to beat you. We did everything we could. You won on Election Day, now, welcome to the Senate as my colleague and friend." That, for me, set the stage for collaboration and friendship no matter the party or the issue. I sat in the third row in this Chamber that year. I was 21 out of 21 in seniority and was happy to be back there because I could see all the action occurring. I remember my first bill. I am not certain, but I am almost sure it ended in a seven. Senator Neal, who is my dear friend and my guest today, asked me a question. I was not prepared to have a dialogue about this bill, which dealt with juvenile justice, a passion throughout my whole career. I answered it—I was probably in shock—but the bill passed.

For my first Floor statement, I sat in the second row, on the end. I did not know what had happened that day in the Country until one of the sergeant at arms asked my opinion about what had occurred in Columbine. I did not know what he was talking about, so I did the homework and

did not sleep that night. I needed to say something, so during the end of Session remarks where announcements are made and everyone is picking up their things, I made a Floor statement. It was about the responsibility I thought we had beyond this building to listen to the young, to listen more than we talk and to allow youth to have a voice. I did not plan on anyone listening; I just wanted to say it. It became very quiet, and we, maybe, all learned something together that day.

I remember that the first day I was asked to chair a Committee was during Session. I was in the minority party for six of my eight Sessions. Senator Rawson was a mentor to me and chaired the Human Resources and Facilities Committee as it was called in those days. It was a Friday, and he was not going to be here, so I stood up and announced that the Committee would be meeting immediately after Floor. Senator Raggio charged over and asked why I was chairing the Committee. He was not being nasty; he was just curious. He then told me to make sure to do a good job, smiled and patted me on the shoulder. We had three bills to hear in that meeting. I later proofread the minutes from the Committee meeting so I knew it was real. Later, as the Judiciary Chair, I read the minutes from every meeting; it took me until the end of August to finish.

The first Session I attended here, we gaveled in at midnight and had a modest majority with which to conduct business. I remember my first 24-hour day in the building. I could not find a place to take a nap so at six in the morning, I went to my desk here in Chamber. We had been told to stay in the building because there was going to be a special session that had not yet been called. I was so tired my eyes had no moisture. I put my head down on the desk to get some moisture in my eyes and fell asleep. It was on the front page of the paper—Senator Weiner sleeping on the job.

I remember the inaugural training for the Nevada Youth Legislature and bringing the students into this building for the first time. We taught them about the legislative process for other levels and branches of government as well as ours. We have now refined and streamlined this training. Those are some of my first memories, and rather than share last memories, I would like to share some lasting memories.

I have been involved in four campaigns, knocking on thousands of doors from the first to the last. It was about showing people my face and letting them I know was their Senator or wanted to be their Senator. What I learned from the beginning, and I still believe in it, is that knocking on doors is not as much about asking for a vote as it was about listening. It is rare that people who run for office across the Country make contact with those who select them. I would let them know I was there to listen to them and go home and do constituent work, even at nine or ten at night. That was the joy of giving people a voice at their own door. For four elections, that meant a lot to me, and it still does.

I had the privilege of participating in Legislators Back to School when it was a pilot program. Nevada was one of the first five states to do it, and it was for one day. They wanted to see if it would work. Thirty-five hundred students were visited in the five states. I read that article and thought, I visited 350 students myself and I can do better than that, so I visited more than 40,000 children for that program over the years. Every one of them mattered to me because being in front of the little ones, or children no matter their age, and letting them know that people in government are real people is important. I would tell them when I would go to Session I would take my family with me. I do not have children, but I would take my kids; Democat, Patriot, Liberty and Freedom, my feline family, who would come with me every Session to Carson City. In fact, Democat adopted me in this building on the Fourth of July one year.

Every time I came through these doors, it was a reminder we are here to serve and that this job is about service. It is not about ego; it is not about title; it is about service. Every time we had the opportunity to vote, it was an extension of the hundreds of times we attended Committee meetings and the people who would come before us in support of, against or neutral on a bill that was important to them. We forget, but sometimes that bill is the most important thing now in their lives. To be able to be there to process and assist in making the decisions to move that bill to this Floor is important. Coming in here, looking at that board and knowing that in casting a vote we were changing history and affirming it was for the good because we worked together is something I will always remember.

Working with legislative staff has been one of the most extraordinary privileges of my life. These are the people who make this happen; the people who put in the many hours of time and can still smile, be polite and show up at the door with the answers. They attend the Committee

meetings, give the needed information to each person seated here and they do it because they also love public service; they just do not get as much recognition as they should. They are the champions; they weather it though everything; they are here. Thank you to the staff in this Chamber who made the job meaningful and created the history and the opportunities for the work to be done. Thank you so much for who you are and how you show up in this process.

I love all of you in the Youth Legislature. There are alumni here, today, who traveled up to support me who have become my family. Many are mentees; they are my chosen family. They stand by me, and occasionally, I stand by them. They sometimes remind me of those mentoring tips I give and tell me to remember to do what I have shared with them. I appreciate that no matter where my head is at the time. I am grateful for this day, this hour, this moment, this now of my life, for the opportunity to share a few words with all of you. I have family and friends here on the Floor who have been a part of my life for a very long time. They are the center of my heart. I have friends and family who are participating in the live stream. To my cousin Janine and friends in Brisbane, Australia, where it is little after 5 a.m. Friday morning, thank you for sticking with me to celebrate this day and for being part of this family and this experience.

Thanks to everybody here in whatever way you show up or serving Nevada and planting the seeds of engagement so all of us can benefit. I often say we plant a seed and do not know what or how or when it will grow. We do know however, with good intentions, which is what this Chamber is, we have planted seeds that will grow our State in a magnificent way. That is because of the work you do, the ways you serve, the ways you help Nevada be the best place possible. I am proud to be Nevadan by birth and a Nevadan by choice. Thank you all for touching my life in this way.

By Senators Cannizzaro, Settelmeyer, Brooks, Cancela, Denis, Dondero Loop, Goicoechea, Hammond, Hansen, Hardy, Harris, Kieckhefer, Ohrenschall, Parks, Pickard, Ratti, Scheible, Seevers Gansert, Spearman, Washington and Woodhouse:

Senate Resolution No. 6—Inducting Barbara Katherine Cegavske into the Senate Hall of Fame.

WHEREAS, The Senate of the Legislature of the State of Nevada has established a Senate Hall of Fame whose members are selected by leadership from those past Senators who have served with distinction and who have made exemplary contributions to the State of Nevada; and

WHEREAS, Barbara Katherine Jewson was born in Faribault, Minnesota, the fourth of six children and she graduated from Mayo High School in Rochester, Minnesota; and

WHEREAS, Barbara's parents owned a small business so she and her siblings were put to work at an early age, learning the tasks necessary to make a small business successful; and

WHEREAS, In 1974, Barbara moved to southern Nevada where she met Tim Cegavske, whom she married and while their two sons were in public school, Barbara began her involvement in public affairs by participating in the Parent Teacher Association; and

WHEREAS, In 1996, Barbara was elected to the Nevada Assembly and in 2002, she was elected to the Nevada Senate, serving three terms in each House; and

WHEREAS, During her 18 years as a Legislator, one of Barbara's primary concerns was education reform and she introduced many bills addressing innovations in teacher training and licensure, school choice, school governance, civics education, school attendance, English learning, adult education, and education in music and the arts; and

WHEREAS, Barbara was also deeply concerned about substance abuse, including the use of drugs, alcohol and tobacco by minors and during her first session she was successful in passing a bill providing for the suspension of driver's licenses of minors convicted of offenses involving drugs and alcohol; and

WHEREAS, As a Legislator, Barbara prevailed through sheer tenacity and firmness of purpose, as demonstrated by her tireless efforts to enact a graduated driver's license law so that teenage drivers may gradually gain experience, having first introduced the bill in 1999 and subsequent sessions thereafter, successfully passing the law in 2007; and

WHEREAS, Barbara's political philosophy was shaped by her experiences as a small business owner, respecting the system of free enterprise and the contributions of small businesses to economic growth; and

WHEREAS, After completing her legislative service in 2014, Barbara was elected Secretary of State where she continues to serve, however, Barbara considers her family as her most important accomplishment in her life, which includes Tim Cegavske and their two sons, Adam and Bret, and six grandchildren; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, That, for her many years of devoted service to the people of the State of Nevada as a member of both the Nevada Senate and Assembly and her continuing service as the Nevada Secretary of State, Barbara Katherine Cegavske is hereby inducted into the Senate Hall of Fame of the Legislature of the State of Nevada; and be it further

RESOLVED, That this resolution becomes effective upon passage.

Senator Settelmeyer moved the adoption of the resolution.

Remarks by Senators Settelmeyer, Seevers Gansert, Cannizzaro, Hammond, Ohrenschall, Kieckhefer, Dondero Loop and Hardy.

SENATOR SETTELMEYER:

With me on the Floor today is someone who does not need an introduction, our Secretary of State, Senator Barbara Cegavske, who has been my privilege to support. She has been a mentor for a long time. I had the good fortune to serve with her in this Body for four years and for four years prior to that in the Assembly. Sometimes, when I was in the Assembly and we needed a break because it got a little bit interesting over there, I would seek refuge over here, and Senators such as Senator Cegavske were kind enough to let us do that. They would also help us along with some of our concepts.

Barbara Cegavske is, in many ways, the all-American girl: bright, cheerful, energetic, hardworking, optimistic, tenacious and untiring in her purposes. She was born and raised in Minnesota and grew up in a family of six children. She worked in the family business, participated in high school athletics and enjoyed the great outdoors. She came to Nevada in 1974, married Tim Cegavske and together they built a small business. She brought many bills around small businesses. Her experience in this area helped get legislation passed and helped her do what was right for all Nevadans. Barbara and Tim are the proud parents of two sons and have six grandchildren. Barbara was always showing pictures of her grandchildren. This may be where she got the nickname "BaBa," as many people cannot pronounce her last name so they just say Baba or Barbara.

Those of you who know Barbara will know that her family means everything to her. In fact, it was her concern for her family that led Barbara into politics. When her sons Adam and Bret were attending R. Guild Gray Elementary School, she became involved in the Parent Teacher Association and became aware that teachers in the classroom did not always have the resources they needed. This realization brought her to Carson City where she lobbied the Legislature and learned how this institution works. For some reason, she still decided to serve.

In 1996, she took the plunge and ran for the Assembly, leading to an 18-year legislative career. During that time, one of her chief concerns was education reform. She was the Chair of the Education/Health Committee and sponsored many important measures to improve Nevada's public schools. She was also concerned about the number of teenagers who were being injured or killed in traffic accidents. For several sessions, Barbara served on the Senate Committee on Transportation. There she sponsored strong measures to protect young and inexperienced drivers. She successfully sponsored a bill providing for license suspension for teenage drivers convicted of offenses involving alcohol and drugs. One of her most important legacies was Nevada's graduated driver's-license law that allows new drivers to gradually gain experience before being granted full driving privileges. There was a similar bill here, this Session, I did not support. It took her several Sessions to get this measure enacted, but she prevailed through sheer determination and perseverance, which with Senator Raggio was necessary. We may never know how many young lives have been saved through her efforts.

I am delighted to support the induction of one of our most prominent and successful State Legislators, Senator and current Secretary of State Barbara Cegavske for induction into the Senate Hall of Fame. I encourage you to vote in favor of this resolution. It has been my honor to call her my friend and be able, through numerous parades, to sponsor her by bringing various pieces of farm machinery and vehicles for her to ride in, which I will continue to do.

SENATOR SEEVERS GANSERT:

I rise in support of Senate Resolution No. 6. I have had the pleasure of knowing our Secretary of State for many years and want to acknowledge the 18 years you have had in the Legislature. You are on your way to another eight years, so that will make 26 total years in public service. I appreciate your work.

I would also like to mention the strong connection you have always had with the voters. You have run many elections and have always been resilient. People know you and know that you care. I would like to acknowledge your family, because it takes your family to support you in these endeavors. I know how important your sons and grandchildren are to you as well as your husband, who has stood by you and supported you all of these years.

I have a fond memory of a picture that I am not sure everyone has seen. Barbara was the lone female Senator amongst male Republicans for several years. There is a great photo where she is laid out across them as they held her. It was a show of respect and the power she had amongst them, and I always loved that photo.

I appreciate that you brought the bill for the graduated driver's license. We debated a similar bill on the Floor this week. I know your bill has saved many lives. Having four children myself, my children have gone through the process, and it really helped hone in their skills before they were out on the road by themselves. You have made a difference for the State of Nevada as a Legislator, as Secretary of State, for your family and for all of those you have touched throughout these years. I appreciate all you have done and fully support Senate Resolution No. 6. I congratulate you today.

SENATOR CANNIZZARO:

I rise in support of Senate Resolution No. 6. When you come into this Body as a freshman, and especially as a freshman chair, sometimes, it can be a little intimidating and overwhelming to find yourself faced with other elected officials who are well respected in the State. I had that pleasure with Senator, now Secretary of State, Cegavske in the Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections last Session. It was a pleasure to work with her. She knows what she is doing and was always cordial, kind and willing to explain everything to me. I remember when we went to look at the new voting machines and toured to look at the different technologies we have. She takes an interest in things and knows the ins and outs of them. She was willing to take the time to explain things to me, and I appreciate that more than I can say.

We have heard comments on how important her family is to her. Recently, we were at the Governor's Office, and she pulled out a little toy dog and had people take pictures with it so she could send them to her granddaughter. I was touched by that, and she was so excited to be able to share those pictures with her granddaughter. That was a wonderful moment and showed the pride she has for her family. I urge my colleagues to support Senate Resolution No. 6.

SENATOR HAMMOND:

I rise in support of Senate Resolution No.6. When Barbara was here, she was the conscience of our caucus. She was the one who encouraged me to run for the State Senate, and I am happy she did. Every Session, I bring my kids up to visit; they are here, today. For a while, I only brought my son because he was old enough, and there are certain folks, according to my wife, I am not allowed to bring my kids around. One time, I went to a barbecue with them at Representative Amodei's, who has a way of telling stories. I told my wife I took them to the barbecue, and she said, "You went where?" I told her "I went to Amodei's" but told her "Barbara was there." She responded, "Oh, okay." As long as Barbara was there, it was fine. That is how my wife has always viewed and had a deep admiration for what you stood for, who you are, the legislation you put forward and the example you set for me. My family and I are excited about this honor for you, and I encourage everyone to support this resolution.

SENATOR OHRENSCHALL:

I rise in support of Senate Resolution No. 6. During the 2009 Session, when I was serving in the Assembly, I sponsored an insurance bill that mandated certain insurance policies in Nevada had to cover children on the autism spectrum. When I first put the bill in, I had a bit of a struggle with some of my friends on the GOP side. Senator Cegavske was one of my earliest supporters and helped me with the bill. It was a struggle, but, with working across the aisle, the bill passed,

and the Republican Governor signed it into law. I appreciate the help you gave me in the 2009 Session.

Previously, the graduated driver's-license law was brought up. I have learned much about it this Session. What I have learned is you have saved hundreds, if not thousands, of teen lives with that bill. The extra experience kids are mandated to receive and the fact they are not able to drive with other kids in the car has prevented many crashes and fatalities. I thank you for that and urge the passage of this resolution.

SENATOR KIECKHEFER:

I am proud and privileged to rise in support of Senate Resolution No. 6. Senator Cegavske always led with her heart; there was never any question about motivation or influence outside the realm of truth to the issue. Sometimes, I forget the world exists outside this building as we legislate for 120 days, but Barbara was always acutely aware of this and governed as such. That is something I will always take away from my experience serving with her. It was not always what was said in Committee or on the Floor; sometimes, it was what happened in caucus or in the hall or over a meal. That is where people often reveal their true nature. I know the State is better off for having her. I appreciate you; congratulations; thank you for your service. You can still run for the Assembly when you are finished being Secretary of State.

SENATOR DONDERO LOOP:

I rise in support of Senate Resolution No. 6. Last week, I told my story of Barbara, the room mother, so I will not tell it again. I could not let another minute go by without saying thank you again and congratulations. This is a well-deserved honor, and I appreciate being your friend for all of these years.

SENATOR HARDY:

Barbara, thank you for your forgiving nature. I served as a lowly freshman when she was an upper-class Senator, and for many reasons, she was not too sure about me. We sat together on the Floor of the Senate and what an opportunity it was for me to just be close and talk and bond. If there is one thing that would be one of your greatest assets, it is your smile. Being able to smile in adversity, whether in the majority or the minority, and meet people and make them feel comfortable is an asset. I admire your ability to honor life and your personal beliefs and your consistency and confidence in your belief system. We still have a jar in our caucus that we appreciate you donated to us, and it is still used. Thank you, Barbara.

Resolution adopted.

Senator Cannizzaro requested former Senator Barbara Cegavske's remarks be entered in the Journal.

FORMER SENATOR CEGAVSKE:

Thank you, Madam President. To all of the staff, hello and thank you for the years you served for me; what a fine job you did. I would like to recognize Terri Miller who was my Committee Manager and was with me all of my years as a Senator. I want to acknowledge her and thank her for everything. Terri, you are wonderful, and whoever has you now as their Committee Manager is lucky. I want to introduce my husband, Tim. I cannot thank him enough for being with me and for me through all the campaigns. After 18 years, he told me I was on my own whenever I have to go somewhere, but he will go if I ask him. He has been the stalwart of my life, and we have just celebrated our 39th wedding anniversary in January. I would always go to my family to ask if it was okay to run again. This last time for Secretary of State, which will be my last, I did not ask, I just told him I was going to run and that it would be my last election, and he agreed. My son Adam is here. He is one of the best sons anybody could have, I am so grateful for him and thrilled he can be here, today; his daughter gave me the little dog and wanted the pictures. We are going to make a book because it did travel a lot. Wayne Thorley is here as well. Wayne is my Elections Deputy and sitting in for my son Bret. They have known each other since elementary school. I know you are listening, Bret. Hi to you and the kids in Las Vegas. Erin Russel is also here. Erin was in my caucus in the Assembly when I worked with Lynn Hettrick, and I would like to thank you for

being here as well. My staff is in the balcony. Maureen Brower was my assistant in the beginning, and I, too, want to thank Jennifer, Maria, Kim, Craig and Scott.

I am humbled to be here, today, and have this recognition. I would also like to congratulate my colleague, Valerie Weiner. We came in at the same time; I was in the Assembly, and she was in the Senate. If you would like to know how our training went, ask Valerie; she has the best recall of anyone I have ever met. I am thrilled we had fun. I also would like to thank my brother Bill and my sister Pam who are in Minnesota listening. They were unable to come. Steven and RJ are listening, and I want to say hello to them. I am thrilled we have the technology to make this possible. My colleague said it right when she thanked everyone at the Legislative Counsel Bureau for all the work you do on our behalf.

It has been my pleasure to be here. I want to share one of the things that you may not get to do that I did. Senator Jake Jacobsen, who is also in the Hall of Fame, made us do tours across the State. He wanted we urban people to learn about the rural areas and made us do bus tours around the State. We visited farms, ranches, and when there was a flood that took away someone's land, he made us go look at it to find out what they had lost. It was such an education. He also made us visit every prison in the State. I have been in every prison in this State. He had some colorful stories about things that happened not only in the prisons but also in other places. One story involved a place just outside of Dayton where the girls were sent. We could not figure out why the phone bills were so high, until we found out the girls were "working" and were using State resources. That was one of his interesting stories. Between Senator Jacobsen, Senator Raggio and Senator Rawson, we learned a lot.

I also want to thank Senator Pete Goicoechea and Senator James Settlemeyer for the information they have given me over the years about what is happening in the rural areas and what we need to know when we vote on issues related to these areas. Clark County had its first shooting in a high school, and what Clark County learned from the Legislators in the rural areas was important to us. When we do a law that is beneficial in the urban areas, it is not necessarily beneficial to the rural areas. We learned about capping and other things. I still learn every day. I tell my grandkids that you should learn every day.

Senator Weiner, I see the youth legislators sitting with you, and I am grateful for knowing them and getting to hear about the things they are doing. We hear about the legislation that comes through that program on a regular basis.

If there is one thing I can leave you with, it is to be whom you are; be yourself. If there is one thing I can tell you, I agree with my colleague, listen to your constituents because they will tell you things you do not hear up here. They are a voice you do not hear every day; they are important, and you want to listen to what they say. I loved walking door to door because that is when I would learn the most. When you would walk door to door in Las Vegas in 117-degree heat, you would know you had won a vote because people felt so sorry for you.

Be true to yourself; be true to your family. I thank you for this honor today and the wonderful comments made on my behalf. Thank you for everything and continue the good work you are doing. God Bless.

Senator Cannizzaro moved that the Senate recess subject to the call of the Chair.

Motion carried.

Senate in recess at 12:45 p.m.

SENATE IN SESSION

At 1:12 p.m.

President Marshall presiding.

Quorum present.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

Madam President:

Your Committee on Government Affairs, to which was referred Assembly Bill No. 353, has had the same under consideration, and begs leave to report the same back with the recommendation: Re-refer to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

DAVID R. PARKS, *Chair*

Madam President:

Your Committee on Health and Human Services, to which were referred Assembly Bills Nos. 130, 169, 194, has had the same under consideration, and begs leave to report the same back with the recommendation: Do pass.

JULIA RATTI, *Chair*

MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND NOTICES

Senator Parks moved that Assembly Bill No. 353, just reported out of Committee, be re-referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

SIGNING OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

There being no objections, the President and Secretary signed Assembly Bills Nos. 26, 154.

GUESTS EXTENDED PRIVILEGE OF SENATE FLOOR

On request of Senator Cannizzaro, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Tina Ashdown, Richard Benhow, Sande Benhow, Alex Bybee, Rick Combs, Brenda Erdoes, Roberta Kane, Beverly Mobley, Jim Noriega, Brian Otto, Kaira Perry, Kalem Perry, Kylee Perry, Mackenzie Solferino, Michael Stewart, Kim Wallin, former Senator Valerie Wiener, and Rene Yeckley.

On request of Senator Goicoechea, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Jenny Care.

On request of Senator Hammond, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Isabella Hammond, Olivia Hammond and Sofia Hammond and Summer Set Academy.

On request of Senator Ratti, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Michael Baird, Maci Cell, Cynthia Messina, Zhan Okuda-Lim and Idora Silver

On request of Senator Settlemeyer, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Scott Anderson Adam Cegavske, former Senator Barbara Cegavske, Tim Cegavske, Erin Hayes Craig Kozeniesky, Jennifer Russell, and Kim Perondi Maria Tello-Magana and Wayne Thorley.

On request of Senator Woodhouse, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Juan Gonzalez Madera, Rosa Morgan, former Senator Joseph Neal and Alysia Peters.

Senator Cannizzaro moved that the Senate adjourn until Monday, April 29, 2019, at 11:00 a.m.

Motion carried.

Senate adjourned at 1:18 p.m.

Approved:

KATE MARSHALL
President of the Senate

Attest: CLAIRE J. CLIFT
Secretary of the Senate