

Assembly Joint Resolution No. 7—Assemblymen Swank, Elliot Anderson, Carrillo, Frierson, Hambrick; Aizley, Bobzien, Cohen, Eisen, Hogan, Martin, Oscarson, Pierce, Spiegel and Wheeler

Joint Sponsors: Senators Segerblom, Manendo, Jones, Spearman, Parks; Hutchison and Smith

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ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION—Urging the National Park Service of the United States Department of the Interior to recognize the importance of mid-20th century architecture in Nevada and urging the Governor to proclaim May 20, 2014, as the day to acknowledge and celebrate mid-20th century architecture in Nevada.

WHEREAS, In 1972, authors Robert Venturi, Denise Scott Brown and Steven Izenour published an important, internationally embraced benchmark of scholarship on mid-20th century architecture entitled *Learning from Las Vegas*, which was revised in 1977 and described the pivotal role Nevada played in shaping the nation’s architectural design of the mid-20th century; and

WHEREAS, Nevada has many examples of mid-20th century architecture which are listed in the National Register of Historic Places, including the Fleischmann Atmospherium Planetarium and the Pioneer Theater-Auditorium, located in Reno, Nevada, and the Morelli House, the John S. Park Historic District and the Berkley Square neighborhood, located in Las Vegas, Nevada; and

WHEREAS, The “Welcome to Fabulous Las Vegas” sign is widely recognized throughout the world as an important icon and is listed in the National Register of Historic Places; and

WHEREAS, The Las Vegas Strip is internationally famous as a mid-20th century architectural resource and has been designated as an “All-American Road” by the United States Department of Transportation; and

WHEREAS, The former Nevada Test Site has been cited as an important historic resource by the Cold War Advisory Committee for the Cold War Theme Study and has potential to open a new chapter in Nevada’s important contributions to mid-20th century architectural history; and

WHEREAS, The La Concha Motel Lobby at the Neon Museum has been listed in the City of Las Vegas Historic Property Register and has been cited as one of the few remaining examples of classic mid-20th century architecture in Las Vegas, Nevada; and



WHEREAS, In 2014, Nevada will celebrate its 150th anniversary of statehood, which provides a time to reflect on the entire span of Nevada's history, including the more recent architectural contributions of Nevada to the nation; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY AND SENATE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, JOINTLY, That the members of the 77th Session of the Nevada Legislature hereby urge the National Park Service of the United States Department of the Interior to recognize the importance of mid-20th century architecture in Nevada and to provide all available assistance in listing in the National Register of Historic Places all significant examples of such architecture located in Nevada; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Governor is hereby urged to proclaim May 20, 2014, as the day to acknowledge and celebrate the important examples of mid-20th century architecture in Nevada; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly prepare and transmit a copy of this resolution to the Secretary of the United States Department of the Interior, the Director of the National Park Service, the Governor and each member of the Nevada Congressional Delegation; and be it further

RESOLVED, That this resolution becomes effective upon passage.

