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ASSEMBLY CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 29—ASSEMBLYMEN  
GUSTAVSON, ANDERSON, ANDONOV, ANGLE, ARBERRY,  
ATKINSON, BEERS, BROWN, BUCKLEY, CARPENTER,  
CHOWNING, CHRISTENSEN, CLABORN, COLLINS, CONKLIN,  
GEDDES, GIBBONS, GIUNCHIGLIANI, GOICOECHEA,  
GOLDWATER, GRADY, GRIFFIN, HARDY, HETTRICK,  
HORNE, KNECHT, KOIVISTO, LESLIE, MABEY, MANENDO,  
MARVEL, MCCLAIN, MCCLEARY, MORTENSON,  
OCEGUERA, OHRENSCHALL, PARKS, PERKINS, PIERCE,  
SHERER, WEBER AND WILLIAMS

MAY 26, 2003

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CARLTON, CEGAVSKE, COFFIN, HARDY, MATHEWS,  
MCGINNESS, NEAL, NOLAN, O'CONNELL, RAGGIO,  
RAWSON, RHOADS, SCHNEIDER, SHAFFER, TIFFANY,  
TITUS, TOWNSEND AND WIENER

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Read and Adopted

SUMMARY—Memorializes Marine hero Lance Corporal Donald J.  
Cline Jr. (BDR R-1350)

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

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ASSEMBLY CONCURRENT RESOLUTION—Memorializing  
Marine hero Lance Corporal Donald J. Cline Jr.

- 1 WHEREAS, The members of the Nevada Legislature join the  
2 people of the State of Nevada to mourn the loss and celebrate the  
3 life of United States Marine Lance Corporal Donald J. Cline Jr.; and  
4 WHEREAS, Donald J. Cline Jr., known as “John” by his family  
5 and friends, was born in Sierra Madre, California; and  
6 WHEREAS, After his family moved to Sparks, John Cline  
7 attended Reed High School and met his wife-to-be, Tina; and  
8 WHEREAS, Because he said he had “always wanted to be a  
9 Marine,” John Cline enlisted in the United States Marine Corps at



1 the age of 17 and left for boot camp 2 weeks after graduating from  
2 high school; and

3 WHEREAS, After John's graduation from Marine boot camp on  
4 October 20, 2000, Tina and John Cline were married the following  
5 day at the American Legion Hall in Sun Valley, Nevada; and

6 WHEREAS, Blessed with two sons, Dakota, 2 1/2 years of age,  
7 and Dillon, 7 months, John Cline proved to be a devoted and caring  
8 family man who talked about returning to Reno to become a police  
9 officer when he left the military; and

10 WHEREAS, Serving with the 1st Battalion, 2nd Marine  
11 Regiment, 2nd Marine Expeditionary Brigade, based at Camp  
12 Lejeune, North Carolina, John Cline was deployed to Iraq to serve  
13 his country, but kept in close contact with his family through letters  
14 and phone calls; and

15 WHEREAS, On March 23, 2003, John Cline was reported  
16 missing in action after he and some of his fellow Marines were  
17 ambushed by enemy fire on a bridge near the southern Iraq town of  
18 Nasiriyah; and

19 WHEREAS, Being a strong and loyal Marine wife, Tina Cline  
20 remained optimistic that her husband would be found safe, and she  
21 and her children were embraced by their community, receiving  
22 support and prayers from family, friends and strangers; and

23 WHEREAS, Sadly, on April 11, Lance Corporal Donald "John"  
24 Cline Jr., only 21 years of age, was among the Marines identified as  
25 killed in that attack of March 23rd; and

26 WHEREAS, John Cline was posthumously awarded the Purple  
27 Heart and will hereafter be remembered for his bravery in the face  
28 of battle; and

29 WHEREAS, Lance Corporal Cline is survived by his wife, Tina,  
30 his sons, Dakota and Dillon, and his mother, Cynthia Fulton-Cline;  
31 now, therefore, be it

32 RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, THE  
33 SENATE CONCURRING, That United States Marine Lance Corporal  
34 Donald J. Cline Jr. be recognized for his dedication to his country in  
35 giving the ultimate sacrifice while trying to make the world a safer  
36 place for his children and children throughout the world; and be it  
37 further

38 RESOLVED, That the members of the 72nd Session of the  
39 Nevada Legislature and the people of our State extend their sincere  
40 condolences to the family and friends of John Cline, an American  
41 hero; and be it further

42 RESOLVED, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly prepare and  
43 transmit a copy of this resolution to John Cline's loving wife, Tina.

