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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION—Honoring restaurateurs Paul and Adele Abowd.

WHEREAS, On October 28, 2002, Adele's at the Plaza in downtown Reno, a restaurant owned and operated by Paul and Adele Abowd, closed for business on the 11th anniversary of its opening date; and

WHEREAS, Paul and Adele met in San Francisco, California, where Paul was a fry cook and Adele was a waitress in a restaurant owned by Paul's father, and were married in 1950 to form the unbeatable team that has made them known and loved by many and to start the family that would grow to include sons, Charlie and Michael, and daughters, Cyrina and Colette; and

WHEREAS, The team of Paul and Adele Abowd has made its mark in the culinary world for the past 50 years through the introduction of new restaurant concepts such as Peg's Glorified Ham and Eggs which opened in Richmond, California, in 1953 and was such a hit that the line was extended to El Cerrito and Oakland, California; and

WHEREAS, In 1978, the Abowds moved to Carson City to open Adele's, a restaurant that became an icon of fine dining in western Nevada and is currently owned by their son, Charlie, and his wife, Karen, and in 1991, Adele's at the Plaza in Reno opened its doors to expand and continue the tradition of world-class cuisine in a relaxing atmosphere; and

WHEREAS, Acting on his belief that dining should be an enjoyable experience and even an adventure, Paul Abowd never stopped working to extend the bill of fare, deepen the selection of fine wines and perfect the atmosphere of their restaurants to meet the needs of their guests and satisfy even the most discriminating tastes; and

WHEREAS, The charm and graciousness of Paul and Adele, which was a trademark of their approach to serving fine meals in their restaurants, is also evident in their home in Carson City where they have hosted fundraisers, community events, social dinners and political functions, including a very successful fundraiser in 1988 for former Governor Richard Bryan in support of his race for a seat in the United States Senate; and

WHEREAS, Former President of the Nevada Restaurant Association and recipient of the 2001 Restaurateur of the Year Award, Adele Abowd maintains that the greatest benefit of their chosen lifestyle was meeting, and often becoming friends with, so many wonderful people from all walks of life, the list of which includes visionary leaders and powerful statesmen; and

WHEREAS, After committing most of their lives to the restaurant business and the people they served, Paul and Adele Abowd are retiring and using the extra time to spend with each other and their family; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, THE ASSEMBLY CONCURRING, That the members of the 72nd Session of the Nevada Legislature extend their admiration and gratitude to Paul and Adele Abowd for their contributions to the restaurant industry in Nevada, their culinary expertise and their energetic service to the people of this state; and be it further

RESOLVED, That Paul and Adele Abowd's example of dedication to their life's work of service in the restaurant industry and their cheerful involvement in the community that have characterized their 52 years together will be an inspiration to all whose lives they have touched; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Secretary of the Senate prepare and transmit a copy of this resolution to Paul and Adele Abowd.

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