
SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 15—SENATORS MATHEWS;
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COPENING, HARDY, HORSFORD, LEE, MCGINNESS, NOLAN,
PARKS, RAGGIO, RHOADS, SCHNEIDER, TOWNSEND,
WASHINGTON, WIENER AND WOODHOUSE

MARCH 10, 2009

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MUNFORD, OCEGUERA, OHRENSCHALL, PARNELL, PIERCE,
SEGERBLOM, SETTELMAYER, SMITH, SPIEGEL, STEWART
AND WOODBURY

Read and Adopted

SUMMARY—Recognizes World Kidney Day on March 12, 2009.
(BDR R-1051)

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

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION—Recognizing World
Kidney Day on March 12, 2009.

- 1 WHEREAS, Thirteen percent of all Nevadans, which includes
2 more than 320,000 people, have some form of kidney damage; and
3 WHEREAS, Every year, thousands of Nevadans die prematurely
4 of cardiovascular diseases linked to chronic kidney disease; and
5 WHEREAS, Progressive loss of kidney function leads to kidney
6 failure and the need for dialysis or transplantation and possibly leads
7 to death from associated cardiovascular disease; and
8 WHEREAS, People who may appear healthy but are found to
9 have chronic kidney disease have their risk of dying prematurely
10 from coronary disease, cerebrovascular disease, peripheral artery



1 disease or heart failure increase tenfold, regardless of whether they
2 develop kidney failure or not; and

3 WHEREAS, More than 2,200 residents of Nevada are currently
4 being kept alive by means of dialysis or transplantation; and

5 WHEREAS, The number of people in this State who are currently
6 relying on dialysis or transplantation to stay alive is expected to
7 double within the next 10 years; and

8 WHEREAS, The total cost of dialysis treatment for patients in
9 Nevada is more than \$140 million each year; and

10 WHEREAS, Chronic kidney disease screening must become a
11 priority for residents of this State considered to be at high risk for
12 kidney disease; and

13 WHEREAS, People considered to be at high risk for kidney
14 disease include those who have been diagnosed with diabetes,
15 hypertension or obesity, smoke, are over 50 years of age or have a
16 family history of diabetes, hypertension or kidney disease; and

17 WHEREAS, World Kidney Day increases public awareness of the
18 worldwide health crisis associated with chronic kidney disease; and

19 WHEREAS, World Kidney Day calls attention to the crucial role
20 of kidneys and the pressing need for early detection and prevention
21 of kidney disease; now, therefore, be it

22 RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, THE
23 ASSEMBLY CONCURRING, That the members of the 75th Session of
24 the Nevada Legislature recognize March 12, 2009, as World Kidney
25 Day; and be it further

26 RESOLVED, That the members of the 75th Session of the Nevada
27 Legislature acknowledge the important role World Kidney Day
28 plays in helping health care professionals, patients and their families
29 and patient advocates in their efforts to stress the importance of
30 early screening and detection of chronic kidney disease; and be it
31 further

32 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of the Senate prepare and
33 transmit a copy of this resolution to Christopher Kelley, Chief
34 Executive Officer of the National Kidney Foundation of Northern
35 California and Northern Nevada.

