
ASSEMBLY CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 13—ASSEMBLYMEN DINI, ANDERSON, ANGLE, ARBERRY, BACHE, BEERS, BERMAN, BROWER, BROWN, BUCKLEY, CARPENTER, CLABORN, COLLINS, FREEMAN, GIBBONS, GIUNCHIGLIANI, GOLDWATER, GUSTAVSON, HETTRICK, HUMKE, KOIVISTO, LEE, MANENDO, MARVEL, MORTENSON, NEIGHBORS, NOLAN, OCEGUERA, OHRENSCHALL, PARKS, PARNELL, PERKINS, PRICE, SMITH, TIFFANY, AND WILLIAMS

MARCH 21, 2001

JOINT SPONSORS: SENATORS AMODEI, CARE, CARLTON, COFFIN, JACOBSEN, JAMES, MATHEWS, MCGINNESS, NEAL, O’CONNELL, O’DONNELL, PORTER, RAGGIO, RAWSON, RHOADS, SCHNEIDER, SHAFFER, TITUS, TOWNSEND, WASHINGTON AND WIENER

Read and Adopted

SUMMARY—Designates March 21, 2001, as E Clampus Vitus Day at Nevada Legislature. (BDR R-1294)

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

ASSEMBLY CONCURRENT RESOLUTION—Designating March 21, 2001, as E Clampus Vitus Day at the Nevada Legislature.

1 WHEREAS, It has come to the attention of the Nevada Legislature that
2 the Ancient and Honorable Order of E Clampus Vitus has maintained its
3 honorable status throughout the known world and especially in this great
4 State of Nevada; and

5 WHEREAS, The Ancient and Honorable and Exceedingly Humble Order
6 of E Clampus Vitus has survived the test of time to become one of the
7 longest surviving brotherhoods of men that continues to fulfill a
8 fundamental need in providing protection and kindness while advancing
9 the noble cause of Clamperdom to residents of the Silver State, especially
10 all the “widders” and orphans, and descendants of the argonauts; and

11 WHEREAS, The Honorable Order of E Clampus Vitus was founded in
12 West Virginia in 1845 by Ephram Bee, owner of a tavern on the National
13 Road, and shortly thereafter the warmhearted brothers affectionately
14 became known as the “Clampin Vipers”; and



1 WHEREAS, In 1860, William Stewart founded the first Ancient and
2 Honorable Order of E Clampus Vitus, Winnemucca Lodge #1, in the Utah
3 Territory, in the unsuspecting peaceful town known as Carson City; and

4 WHEREAS, The creed of the Clamproctors, yesterday, as well as today,
5 is "to protect the 'widders' and orphans, and MAINLY the 'widders'"; and

6 WHEREAS, The State of Nevada is proud to continue the tradition of 156
7 years of devoted service with the Nevada chapters which now include the
8 Snowshoe Thomson Chapter of Douglas County, the Julia C. Bulette
9 Chapter of the Comstock, the Lucinda Jane Saunders Chapter of Elko
10 County and the Keheo Chapter of Clark County; and

11 WHEREAS, While the tradition and revelry will continue, the members
12 of this body were deeply saddened to learn of the recent passing of Clamp
13 Patriarch, John W. Riggs, Sr., whose longstanding participation in the
14 activities of this Ancient and Honorable Order will be sorely missed; now,
15 therefore, be it

16 RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, THE SENATE
17 CONCURRING, That the members of the 71st session of the Nevada
18 Legislature, of whom many are proud members of E Clampus Vitus, do
19 hereby declare March 21, 2001, as E Clampus Vitus Day at the Nevada
20 Legislature, a day to be marked by appropriate revelry and thanksgiving;
21 and be it further

22 RESOLVED, That the Ancient and Honorable Order of E Clampus Vitus
23 is praised and commended for its contributions to mankind and others, and
24 recognized as an illustrious group of Clampers, Clampatrious, Vituscans
25 and Frolicking Friars who must continue to serve and protect the residents
26 of the Silver State; and be it further

27 RESOLVED, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly prepare and transmit
28 a copy of this resolution to Clamp Patriarchs, Peter Van Alstyne and Jerry
29 Robich.

