RESOLUTION 2006-03

Memorial of Lawrence “Jake” Jacobsen, Nevada Senator
1921 - 2006

Introduced by the Executive Committee

WHEREAS, the Honorable Lawrence Jacobsen died in July 2006 at the age of 85 after 40 years of distinguished service in the Senate and Assembly of the Nevada Legislature; and

WHEREAS, Senator Jacobsen’s service in the Nevada Legislature was longer than any in Nevada history; and

WHEREAS, Senator Jacobsen served as Speaker, Speaker Pro Tem, Senate President Pro Tem, Assembly Minority Floor Leader and Senate Minority Floor Leader: and

WHEREAS, Senator Jacobsen represented all Western state legislators with honor and distinction when he chaired the Western Legislative Conference of the Council of State Governments in 1986-87; and

WHEREAS, in the Nevada Legislature and in CSG-WEST, Senator Jacobsen acted as a statesman and a gentleman and never failed to place the care of the state legislature above his personal political goals; and

WHEREAS, Senator Jacobsen demonstrated the highest spirit of public service and was a friend to Democrats and Republicans alike; and

WHEREAS, Senator Jacobsen was a fine example of the citizen legislator of the West as he carried out legislative duties, drove an oil truck for 30 years, volunteered in his local community fire department, never missed a Rotary Club meeting for 49 years and held family responsibilities above all; and

WHEREAS, Senator Jacobsen was a true American patriot who served in the U.S. Navy and survived Pearl Harbor during World War II: and

WHEREAS, Senator “Jake” Jacobsen will long be remembered as a friend to his community, his state and his country:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the CSG-WEST Executive Committee, comprised of Western state legislative leaders, honors the memory of Senator Jacobsen and extends our deepest sympathies to his wife Betty and to his children and grandchildren.

Adopted August 13, 2006 at the CSG-WEST Executive Committee meeting in Breckenridge, Colorado