

NEVADA GIRLS STATE
ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 9

Memorializes the 2017 session of the Nevada Legislature to enact legislation that will prohibit the sale of plastic water bottles on public property, in order to reduce waste and mitigate the negative effects of pollution on the environment.

WHEREAS, Single-serve bottled water is the fastest growing beverage of choice in the United States; and

WHEREAS, Americans throw away thirty-five billion plastic water bottles every year; and

WHEREAS, Most plastic water bottles are not recycled and end up as either garbage or litter; and

WHEREAS, Thirty million single-serve non-returnable containers end up in landfills or as litter everyday; and

WHEREAS, States spend millions annually to clean up plastic bottles that litter highways, parks and open spaces; and

WHEREAS, The United States uses about nineteen million barrels of oil to produce plastic bottles; and

WHEREAS, Manufacturing plastic water bottles releases more than 800,000 metric tons of greenhouse gases into the atmosphere, contributing to global climate change; and

WHEREAS, Using reusable water bottles can greatly reduce individuals' carbon footprints and save energy; and

WHEREAS, If every American household eliminated one out of every ten plastic bottles used, it would keep two hundred million pounds of plastic out of landfills each year; therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE GIRLS STATE OF NEVADA, assembled in Carson City on June 26 2015, the 2017 session of the Nevada Legislature is hereby memorializes to enact legislation that will prohibit the sale of plastic water bottles on public property.