NEVADA GIRLS STATE SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 4

Memorializes the 2013 session of the Nevada Legislature to enact legislation that will require all public schools to have fine arts programs available to the students by increasing the funding for fine arts programs with a designated sum of money only to be spent in the areas classified as fine arts programs (orchestra, band, choir, dance, arts, theater, etc).

WHERAES, at present, many fine arts programs across the state have been cut due to budget cuts; and

WHERAS, fine arts programs allow students an opportunity to engage in other subjects outside of academics; and

WHERAS, with the creation of more fine arts programs, the unemployment level will decrease with the employment of more teachers; and

WHEREAS, students in fine arts programs will more likely be in extracurricular activities, which will lead to more involvement in the community; and

WHEREAS, fine arts programs provide a means by which students can meet other students and develop leadership skills

WHEREAS, fine arts programs often provide the brain a chance to operate both left and right sides simultaneously, which academic class situations often do not; and

WHEREAS, fine arts programs develop a special set of skills that will enable students to receive future college acceptances, scholarships, and job opportunities; and

WHEREAS, fine arts programs promotes the study of culture (arts, music, plays, etc.) in a different way than a traditional classroom setting can provide; and

WHEREAS, the money needed to fund the fine arts programs can be drawn by increasing luxury tax and decreasing funding in public areas that are underused (parks and recreation, soccer fields, etc.); therefore, b e it RESOLVED BY THE GIRLS STATE OF NEVADA, assembled in Carson City July 1, 2011 that the 2013 session of the Nevada Legislature is hereby memorialized to enact legislation to provide all public schools with fine arts programs and increased funding for the programs, with the terms and conditions listed above.