NEVADA GIRLS STATE SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 9

Memorializes the 2015 session of the Nevada Legislature to enact legislation that will prevent unnecessary harm to wild horses and Nevada residents by protecting them from dangerous situations, though Nevada mandating public education of the residents of Nevada through the form of state funded billboards, public service announcements, interacting with the wild horses, including, but not limited to feeding, touching or engaging the wild horses, or any situation that entices the wild horses to residential areas or causes them to be comfortable around people.

WHEREAS; Many wild horses are fed by residents of Nevada, thus making wild horses comfortable around people, roads, and cars, all of which can be and often are deadly to the wild horses; and

WHEREAS; Wild horses pose a danger to residents of Nevada who are inexperienced with horses and wild horses; and

WHEREAS; There are collisions between motor vehicles and wild horses that can be deadly for both the wild horses and the drivers and passengers of motor vehicles; and

WHEREAS; Overpopulation of the wild horses leads to overgrazing in wild horses territories, forcing the wild horses into residential areas in search of food, or leading to the starvation of wild horses; and

WHEREAS; Many wild horses have developed a dependency on residents of Nevada for food and/or water; and

WHEREAS; Public education about the dangers of interacting with the wild horses could significantly reduce the amount of injuries and deaths caused by said encounters; and

WHEREAS; Residents of Nevada, when properly educated, would reduce their interactions with the wild horses, thus reducing the amount of wild horses that feel comfortable and/or dependent on people and residential areas; and

WHEREAS; The interaction of Nevada residents and the wild horses has become unsafe for both residents of Nevada and the wild horses, posing significant danger to all involved; therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE GIRLS STATE OF NEVADA, assembled in Carson City July 5, 2013, and that the 2015 session of the Nevada Legislature is hereby memorialized to enact legislation to provide state funded education about the dangers of interactions with the wild horses to residents of Nevada.