

**RESOLUTION
IN SUPPORT OF ACCELERATING THE COMPLETION DATE FOR
CONSTRUCTION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS' MEDICAL
CENTER HEALTH COMPLEX AT NORTH PECOS ROAD AND THE BRUCE
WOODBURY BELTWAY; AND FURTHER IN SUPPORT OF THE IDENTIFICATION
OF FUNDING FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF VETERANS' HOUSING
(DOMICILIARIES)**

WHEREAS, approximately 216,000 veterans live in Clark County; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Veterans Affairs is reconfiguring how care will be provided to 54,000 enrolled patients in the region, a client population that is expanding rapidly as service members retire to the area or return from foreign engagements, such as in Iraq and Afghanistan; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Veterans Affairs' Las Vegas ambulatory care center was closed in June of 2003; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Veterans Affairs announced the construction a future medical center health complex at North Pecos Road and the Bruce Woodbury Beltway consisting of a 90-bed hospital, outpatient clinic, 120-bed nursing home and benefits offices; and

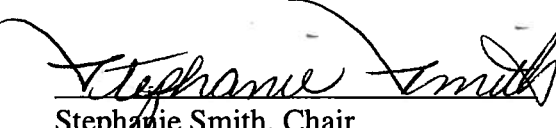
WHEREAS, ground was broken for this facility in October of 2006, but the Health Complex is not scheduled to be operational until mid-2011; and

WHEREAS, acceleration of the completion date, and the addition of veterans' housing, will enhance the care and services provided to persons who have served our Country;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Southern Nevada Regional Planning Coalition does hereby support accelerating the completion date for construction of the Medical Center Health Complex, and also would support the identification of funding for the construction of veterans' housing (domiciliaries).

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 20th day of March, 2008.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Southern Nevada Regional Planning Coalition adopts this resolution.


Stephanie Smith, Chair
Southern Nevada Regional Planning Coalition

Attest:


Jennifer Olsen, Secretary
Southern Nevada Regional Planning Coalition