

RESOLUTION OPPOSING STATE QUESTION NO. 7
An Amendment To the Nevada Revised Statutes To
Allow and Regulate the Sale, Use and Possession of Marijuana

WHEREAS, during the 2005 Legislative Session, Initiative Petition No. 3, to legalize the sale, use and possession of up to one ounce of marijuana by persons 21 years or older and to tax marijuana sales, was presented to the Nevada State Legislature; and

WHEREAS, the Nevada Legislature took no action on Initiative Petition No. 3, thus requiring under the provisions of the Nevada State Constitution that the petition proposal be included as a ballot question for voters to consider at the next succeeding general election; and

WHEREAS, State Question No. 7 has been submitted for inclusion on the ballot of the November 7, 2006, general election to provide voters the opportunity to vote on the proposed sale, use, possession and taxation of marijuana; and

WHEREAS, major law enforcement organizations, such as the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Managers Supervisors Association, Las Vegas Police Protective Association, Nevada Sheriffs' and Chiefs' Association, and the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department, oppose the legalization of marijuana, believing, among other things, that drug dealers would prey more heavily on underage youths; and

WHEREAS, this Board believes that smoking marijuana impairs judgment, is harmful to the health of the users, and likely would result in increased health problems and health costs to the community; and

WHEREAS, this Board also believes that legalizing use, possession or sale of marijuana would result in increased criminal activity, and create rippling negative effects in our community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Clark County Board of County Commissioners does hereby oppose, and authorizes the Chairman to sign a resolution opposing, State Question No. 7 and all efforts to legalize the use of marijuana in Nevada.

PASSED, APPROVED AN ADOPTED this 19th day of September, 2006.

CLARK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

ATTEST:

By: RORY REID, Chairman

SHIRLEY B. PARRAGUIRRE, Clerk