

1 **RESOLUTION HONORING SENATOR FRANK**

2 **MOSS**

3 2003 GENERAL SESSION

4 STATE OF UTAH

5 **Sponsor: Judy Ann Buffmire**

6 **This concurrent resolution of the Legislature and the Governor honors the life and**
7 **service of Frank E. "Ted" Moss.**

8 *Be it resolved by the Legislature of the state of Utah, the Governor concurring therein:*

9 WHEREAS, Frank E. "Ted" Moss was born September 23, 1911 in Holladay, Utah;

10 WHEREAS, on June 20, 1934, Frank Moss married Phyllis Hart;

11 WHEREAS, Frank Moss graduated from the University of Utah with his Bachelor of
12 Arts, magna cum laude, in 1933, and in 1937 he received his Juris Doctor degree, cum laude,
13 from Washington University, Washington, D.C.;

14 WHEREAS, in 1937, Frank Moss was admitted to the bar and began working in the
15 General Counsel's Office of the Securities and Exchange Commission;

16 WHEREAS, Frank Moss later returned to Utah and was elected City Judge in Salt Lake
17 City;

18 WHEREAS, Frank Moss served as City Judge from 1940 to 1950, even though his
19 terms were interrupted by service in the United States Army Air Corps in Europe during World
20 War II;

21 WHEREAS, in 1950, Frank Moss was elected Salt Lake County Attorney and served
22 for eight years;

23 WHEREAS, Frank Moss was elected to the United States Senate and served there from
24 1959 to 1977;

25 WHEREAS, in the United States Senate, Frank Moss was widely respected for his
26 integrity, compassion, intelligence, and judicial temperament, and was referred to as "The
27 conscience of the Senate" by his colleagues, who elevated him to Secretary of the Democratic



28 Caucus, the number three ranking post in the Senate leadership;

29 WHEREAS, Frank Moss was known as "Mr. National Park," having sponsored
30 legislation creating or expanding more national parks than anyone before him;

31 WHEREAS, Frank Moss was a strong advocate of consumers sponsoring legislation to
32 create rules on truth in advertising, truth in lending, truth in packaging and labeling laws, as
33 well as helping create the Consumer Product Safety Commission;

34 WHEREAS, Frank Moss also pushed through the Toy Safety Act, the Poison
35 Prevention Packaging Law, laws on dating and standard pricing of products, nonflammable
36 sleepwear for children, and sponsored the legislation that created health warning labels on
37 cigarettes and banned their advertising on radio and television;

38 WHEREAS, Frank Moss was a champion for senior citizens who are aided by
39 legislation he sponsored establishing federal minimum standards for nursing homes, the
40 creation of health care benefits, the founding of the Senate Aging Committee, public disclosure
41 of burial and mortuary costs, and the creation of the Office of Inspector General at the
42 Department of Health and Human Services following his investigation of Medicare billing
43 abuses;

44 WHEREAS, Frank Moss was instrumental in creating automobile safety standards by
45 introducing legislation that led to automobile air bag requirements, standardized heights of
46 bumpers, and minimum collision impact standards;

47 WHEREAS, Frank Moss helped create the Senate Budget Committee in an effort to
48 bring federal spending under control;

49 WHEREAS, the United States Space Program was given renewed energy during his
50 distinguished service as chairman of the Senate Committee on Aeronautics and Space;

51 WHEREAS, after his retirement from the Senate, Frank Moss helped create the Hall of
52 Honor for Congress and founded the Caring Institute, dedicated to the promotion of caring,
53 integrity, and public service;

54 WHEREAS, Frank Moss explained his feelings about service by stating, "Whether for
55 the individual or for the nation, self is best served by transcending self";

56 WHEREAS, on September 15, 1990, the Federal Court in Salt Lake City was officially
57 named the Frank E. Moss Courthouse;

58 WHEREAS, Frank E. Moss was a faithful member of the Church of Jesus Christ of

59 Latter-day Saints and served in many capacities through the years;

60 WHEREAS, Frank Moss was leader in Utah's Democratic Party and inspired a
61 generation of people to serve in the political process; and

62 WHEREAS, Frank Moss leaves a legacy of service of the highest order for Utahns and
63 citizens of the nation to follow:

64 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of the state of Utah, the
65 Governor concurring therein, honor the life and service of Senator Frank E. "Ted" Moss.

66 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent the family of
67 Senator Frank E. "Ted" Moss.

Legislative Review Note
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A limited legal review of this legislation raises no obvious constitutional or statutory concerns.

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