

March 24, 2004

MEMBER'S RESOLUTION

By the Honorable Martha M. Escutia, Chair of the Senate Judiciary Committee; and the Honorable Ellen M. Corbett, Chair of the Assembly Judiciary Committee; relative to commending

RAY LeBOV

WHEREAS, Ray LeBov, Director of the Office of Governmental Affairs for the Judicial Council, is retiring after 29 years of dedicated service with the California State Government, and in recognition thereof, he is deserving of the highest commendations and honors; and

WHEREAS, Ray LeBov joined the Judicial Council's Administrative office of the Courts (AOC) in 1991, and he was appointed Director of the Office of Governmental Affairs in 1992; and

WHEREAS, During his tenure with the AOC, Ray has facilitated fundamental structural changes of the California judicial branch, including a shift to state funding of the trial courts and unification of the courts; and

WHEREAS, He has served as an exceptionally strong advocate for the California courts, and an influential force in achieving major legislative victories for the administration of justice; and

WHEREAS, His dedicated advocacy efforts have contributed significantly to the progress of Judicial Council goals, in particular, access, fairness, and diversity, independence and accountability, modernization of management and administration, and quality of justice and service to the public; and

WHEREAS, Chief Justice Ronald M. George has commended Ray by stating, "The judicial branch has been very fortunate indeed to have had Ray as our legislative advocate. His wise counsel and in-depth experience, steady temperament, and good humor have been invaluable both to me and to the Judicial Council time and time again. Thank you, Ray, on behalf of the entire judicial branch and personally for so many jobs well done. Congratulations on your retirement;" and

WHEREAS, In 2003, Ray was selected to receive the Judicial Council's Distinguished Service Award for Judicial Administration; and

WHEREAS, Prior to working with the AOC, Ray served as staff counsel to various legislative committees, including the Assembly Committee on Judiciary and Joint Committee on the Structure of the Judiciary; and

WHEREAS, Ray earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from Yale University in 1969, and a Juris Doctor degree from the University of Southern California in 1973; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY MARTHA M. ESCUTIA, CHAIR OF THE SENATE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE, AND ELLEN M. CORBETT, CHAIR OF THE ASSEMBLY JUDICIARY COMMITTEE, That Ray LeBov be commended on his long and distinguished record of professional service and on his outstanding display of civic leadership, and extended best wishes for a rewarding and gratifying retirement.

Dated this 24<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2004.

Honorable Martha M. Escutia  
Chair, Senate Judiciary Committee

Honorable Ellen M. Corbett  
Chair, Assembly Judiciary Committee