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NSEA STATEMENT ON END OF SPECIAL SESSION

(Carson City, NV) — On July 19, 2020, the 31st Special Session concluded sine die.

“On the first day of the Special Session, hundreds of educators from across the state lined the street at 6 feet in support of funding healthy schools,” said Brian Rippet, President of Nevada State Education Association. “Over the past couple of weeks, Nevada educators also sent thousands of emails to Legislators and made hundreds of calls for public comment, demanding that the Legislature respect educator voices and expertise, prioritize health and safety, and lead with equity. Because of the efforts of NSEA members and our allies, the final budget preserves per-pupil base K-12 education funding, Zoom and Victory Schools, and addresses inequities related to distance learning - all key NSEA priorities. Even with difficult budget cuts, we are expecting very few educator layoffs or furlough this school year.”

“Safely reopening schools is going to require significant care and resources, and is central to Nevada’s recovery. Unfortunately, the Legislature approved millions of dollars of cuts to public education without raising new revenue,” said Dawn Miller, Vice President of the Nevada State Education Association. “Educators understand shared sacrifice and are willing partners, but moving forward, we will need bold action to deliver the resources that our students and state needs.”

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The Nevada State Education Association represents teachers, education support professionals, and other licensed professionals across the state.