IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

AL ROGERS, AN INDIVIDUAL, AND PENNY ROGERS, AN INDIVIDUAL, BOTH D/B/A BIG AL'S GOOD TIME PIZZA AND STUFF, A SOLE PROPRIETORSHIP; JOHN PESHEK, D/B/A PIP PRINTING, A SOLE PROPRIETORSHIP; HOWARD ZINK, D/B/A MR. ROY PRODUCTIONS, A SOLE PROPRIETORSHIP; WESLEY FLETCHER, D/B/A FLETCHER ROOFING & SIDING, A SOLE PROPRIETORSHIP; RONALD TROMBLY, D/B/A RON TROMBLY CONSTRUCTION, INC., A SOLE PROPRIETORSHIP; SHELLY SWANSON, D/B/A SWANSON AND SON LAWN SERVICE, A SOLE PROPRIETORSHIP; MERL SCHNEIDER, D/B/A DAIRY QUEEN 1, A SOLE PROPRIETORSHIP; RAY TOMALAS, D/B/A R.L. TOMALAS CUSTOM CABINETS, A SOLE PROPRIETORSHIP; DARYL REEDY, AN INDIVIDUAL DOING BUSINESS AS A SOLE PROPRIETORSHIP; STEVE BROWN, AN INDIVIDUAL; THE CARSON CIGAR COMPANY, INC., A NEVADA CORPORATION; KAY MEDRANO, RAY AND KAY, INC., A NEVADA CORPORATION; LYNN GARD, AN INDIVIDUAL; BACK TO THE GRIND, INC., A NEVADA CORPORATION; JAMES L. CARPENTER, AN INDIVIDUAL; ANDY JENSEN, AN INDIVIDUAL; ANTHONY P. DIEHL, AN INDIVIDUAL; JEFF SLIGAR, AN INDIVIDUAL; CARL J. DERICCO, AN INDIVIDUAL; THE TOWN BARBERS, A NEVADA LIMITED LIABILITY CORPORATION; CARSON CITY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, A NEVADA CORPORATION; DAYTON AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, A NEVADA CORPORATION; DOUGLAS COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, A NEVADA CORPORATION; ELKO COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, A NEVADA CORPORATION; GREATER RENO-SPARKS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, A NEVADA CORPORATION; GREATER LAS VEGAS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, A NEVADA CORPORATION; ASSOCIATED GENERAL CONTRACTORS OF AMERICA, A NEVADA NOT-FOR-PROFIT CORPORATION; NEVADA ASSOCIATION OF EMPLOYERS, A NEVADA NOT-FOR-PROFIT CORPORATION; AND NEVADA TAXPAYER'S ASSOCIATION, A NEVADA NOT-FOR-PROFIT CORPORATION,

Petitioners,

vs.

THE FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, IN AND FOR No. 37186

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Respondents,

and

DEAN HELLER, IN HIS OFFICIAL CAPACITY AS SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA; NEVADA STATE EDUCATION ASSOCIATION, A NEVADA NON-PROFIT COOPERATIVE CORPORATION; AND NEVADA RESORT ASSOCIATION,

Real Parties in Interest.

AL ROGERS, AN INDIVIDUAL, AND PENNY ROGERS, AN INDIVIDUAL, BOTH D/B/A BIG AL'S GOOD TIME PIZZA AND STUFF, A SOLE PROPRIETORSHIP; JOHN PESHEK, D/B/A PIP PRINTING, A SOLE PROPRIETORSHIP; HOWARD ZINK, D/B/A MR. ROY PRODUCTIONS, A SOLE PROPRIETORSHIP; WESLEY FLETCHER, D/B/A FLETCHER ROOFING & SIDING, A SOLE PROPRIETORSHIP; RONALD TROMBLY, D/B/A RON TROMBLY CONSTRUCTION, INC., A SOLE PROPRIETORSHIP; SHELLY SWANSON, D/B/A SWANSON AND SON LAWN SERVICE, A SOLE PROPRIETORSHIP; MERL SCHNEIDER, D/B/A DAIRY QUEEN 1, A SOLE PROPRIETORSHIP; RAY TOMALAS, D/B/A R.L. TOMALAS CUSTOM CABINETS, A SOLE PROPRIETORSHIP; DARYL REEDY, AN INDIVIDUAL DOING BUSINESS AS A SOLE PROPRIETORSHIP; STEVE BROWN, AN INDIVIDUAL; THE CARSON CIGAR COMPANY, INC., A NEVADA CORPORATION; KAY MEDRANO, RAY AND KAY, INC., A NEVADA CORPORATION; LYNN GARD, AN INDIVIDUAL; BACK TO THE GRIND, INC., A NEVADA CORPORATION; JAMES L. CARPENTER, AN INDIVIDUAL; ANDY JENSEN, AN INDIVIDUAL; ANTHONY P. DIEHL, AN INDIVIDUAL; JEFF SLIGAR, AN INDIVIDUAL; CARL J. DERICCO, AN INDIVIDUAL; THE TOWN BARBERS, A NEVADA LIMITED LIABILITY CORPORATION; CARSON CITY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, A NEVADA CORPORATION; DAYTON AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, A NEVADA CORPORATION; DOUGLAS COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, A NEVADA CORPORATION; ELKO COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, A NEVADA CORPORATION; GREATER RENO-SPARKS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, A NEVADA CORPORATION; GREATER LAS VEGAS CHAMBER OF

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No. 37189

COMMERCE, A NEVADA CORPORATION; ASSOCIATED GENERAL CONTRACTORS OF AMERICA, A NEVADA NOT-FOR-PROFIT CORPORATION; NEVADA ASSOCIATION OF EMPLOYERS, A NEVADA NOT-FOR-PROFIT CORPORATION; AND NEVADA TAXPAYER'S ASSOCIATION, A NEVADA NOT-FOR-PROFIT CORPORATION,

Appellants,

vs.

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DEAN HELLER, IN HIS OFFICIAL CAPACITY AS SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA; AND NEVADA STATE EDUCATION ASSOCIATION, A NEVADA NON-PROFIT COOPERATIVE CORPORATION,

Respondents.

ORDER DENYING PETITION FOR WRIT OF MANDAMUS OR PROHIBITION, GRANTING MOTION TO TREAT PETITION AS OPENING BRIEF, AND GRANTING MOTION TO EXPEDITE APPEAL

This is an original petition for a writ of mandamus or in the alternative a writ of prohibition, challenging a district court order denying petitioners' complaint for injunctive relief, and denying their petition for writ of mandamus, or in the alternative, writ of prohibition in the district court (Docket No. 37186). Petitioners have also filed a timely appeal in this matter (Docket No. 37189). Petitioners/appellants seek expedited consideration of this matter. The real parties in interest have moved this court to summarily deny the writ petition and do not oppose expedited treatment.

We have considered the writ petition and the motion to summarily deny the petition, and we are not satisfied that our intervention by way of extraordinary relief is warranted. A writ of mandamus or prohibition will not issue if petitioner has a plain, speedy and adequate remedy in the ordinary course of the law. <u>See</u> NRS 34.170; NRS 34.330. We conclude that petitioners/appellants have an adequate and speedy remedy in

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the form of the appeal that was filed in this matter on December 22, 2000. <u>See</u> Ashokan v. State, Dep't of Ins., 109 Nev. 662, 665-66, 856 P.2d 244, 246 (1993) (explaining that an appeal may be taken from an order of the district court granting or denying mandamus relief); NRAP 3A(b)(1) (providing that an appeal may be taken from a final judgment). Accordingly, we deny the petition. <u>See</u> NRAP 21(b); Smith v. District Court, 107 Nev. 674, 818 P.2d 849 (1991).

Further, we grant petitioners/appellants' motion to treat the petition as the opening brief in the appeal. Accordingly, we direct the clerk of this court to transfer the writ petition and appendix in Docket No. 37186 to the appeal in Docket No. 37189. In treating the petition as an opening brief, we grant petitioners/appellants' motion to waive the 30-page limitation set forth in NRAP 28(g). In addition, we grant the motion to expedite this matter to the extent this court's docket will allow. In the interest of expediting the appeal, we suspended the settlement conference requirements under NRAP 16 and the preparation and transmission of the record under NRAP 11. <u>See</u> NRAP 2 (providing that this court may suspend requirements or provisions of appellate rules).

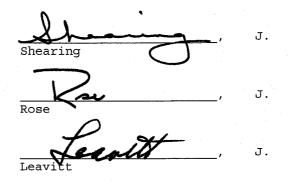
Respondents shall file an answering brief on or before January 19, 2001. Petitioners/appellants shall file any reply brief on or before January 26, 2001. Additionally, we direct petitioners/appellants to file a supplemental brief before January on or 19, 2001, explaining why the constitutional issues raised in the opening brief are ripe for this court's consideration. See Stumpf v. Lau, 108 Nev. 826, 89 P.2d 120 (1992); Las Vegas Chamber of Commerce v. Del Papa, 106 Nev. 910, 802 P.2d 1280 (1990); City of North Las Vegas v. Cluff, 85 Nev. 200, 452 P.2d 461 (1969); Caine v. Robbins, 61 Nev. 416, 131 P.2d 516 (1942). In light of this expedited

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briefing schedule, we will not grant any requests for an extension of time absent extreme and unforeseeable circumstances. We direct the clerk of this court to schedule this matter for argument on this court's en banc calendar on February 7, 2001, at 1:30 p.m. Argument shall be limited to one hour.

It is so ORDERED.¹



cc: Hon. Michael R. Griffin, District Judge Attorney General Legislative Counsel McMullen Strategic Group McDonald Carano Wilson McCune Bergin Frankovich & Hicks LLP Schreck Brignone & Godfrey Dyer Lawrence Cooney & Penrose Allison MacKenzie Hartman Soumbeniotis & Russell Carson City Clerk

¹We deny as moot petitioners/appellants' January 4, 2001, motion to consolidate the petition, Docket No. 37186, and the appeal, Docket No. 37189.

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