

## **MARILYN DONDERO LOOP (Class OF 1969)**

Born and raised in Clark County, Marilyn grew up in a family dedicated to public service. The fourth in a family of five children, Marilyn and her brothers and sister learned at a young age the importance of public service and giving back to the community, which would eventually lead her to seek public office.

Marilyn is the product of Nevada's K-12 public education and higher education systems. She is a 1969 graduate of Las Vegas High School. She received her B.S. in Elementary Education at UNLV, where she was a Rebel cheerleader. She went on to receive her M. Ed. in Curriculum and Instruction from UNLV.

Marilyn worked as an educator in the Clark County School District for thirty years. While teaching and raising a family, Marilyn also found time to mentor new teachers and to work on education and community projects.

Marilyn served as Assemblywoman for District 5 from 2008 to 2014 in the Nevada State Legislature. While serving, she was Chair of the Health & Human Services Committee, Chair of Transportation, Vice-Chair of Education and also served on the Assembly Judiciary Committee. She served nationally as Vice-Chair of the Council of State Government's education committee and has served as a Commissioner for the Education Commission of the States. Over fifty percent or more of the measures she was a primary sponsor for in each legislative session were related to education. Marilyn championed teacher licensing, which gave teachers more freedom to teach within the districts while still requiring stringent checks to ensure the best possible educators are in the classrooms.

In 2014, Marilyn received the Lifetime Achievement Award for Advancement & Support of Education from the NV Association of School Superintendents for her commitment in education.

Marilyn has 3 daughters and 5 grandchildren. She enjoys cooking, reading, and being involved in making education better for Nevada.

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