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Profiles

REV. MARION BENNETT

Political

Assemblyman Bennett Seeking Re-Election

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Assemblyman Marion Bennett, chairman of the Health and Welfare Committee, announced today he will seek reelection to the Assembly District 6 seat he has held since 1972.

Bennett, during his freshman term in 1973, was named chairman of the Health and Welfare Committee. He chaired the committee again in 1975, was vice chairman in 1977, and chairman again in 1979.

the Las Vegas democrat also served on the Commerce Committee and the Labor and Management Committee.

Bennett, the pastor of Zion United Methodist Church since 1960, was chairman of the special committee on Tourism and Economic Development in 1977. He has also served on the Legislative Functions Committee.

He successfully worked for a landlord-tenant bill and day care centers for low income working

and would support legislature requiring mandatory insurance coverage for treatment of alcohol and drug abuse.

Bennett presently is chairman of the Clark County Health Coalition. He serves on the Economic Opportunity Board of Clark County, is chairman of the board of the Nevada Economic Development Company, chairman of the Westside Development Commission, and serves with United Way.

mothers during past session of the legislature, as well as for funds for increased economic development. During the 1979 session, he conducted hearings and was the principal floor spokesman on successful legislation to authorize in Nevada a hospice — a medical facility which treats terminal patients. A local committee currently is working on development of the Nate Adelson Memorial Hospice in Las Vegas.

Bennett said he will continue efforts to assist senior citizens with utility bills, support funds for preventive programs

He received the "Outstanding Young Man of America" award in 1971, and the Michigan House of Representatives "Outstanding Citizenship Award" in 1972.

Other community activities include the Marion Bennett Youth Program, the Martin Luther King, Jr. Scholarship Committee, Board of Directors of the National Conference of Christians and Jews, member of the Clark County Social Concern Committee and member of the Methodist Foundation of Southern Nevada.

Bennett, 43, lives at 1911 Gold Hill Way.

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