



**Executive Order 2014-13**

**ESTABLISHING THE GOVERNOR'S VETERAN RESOURCE AND SERVICE DIRECTORY PROGRAM**

**WHEREAS**, 2014 is the "Year of the Veteran," a time when we reaffirm President Abraham Lincoln's national commitment "to care for him who shall have borne the battle and for his widow, and his orphan";

**WHEREAS**, Nevada is the "Battle Born" State and Nevadans have served their nation faithfully, courageously, and proudly in uniform for 150 years;

**WHEREAS**, we are anticipating the conclusion of the longest war in our nation's history, and a time when hundreds of thousands of service members will return to communities across the country where hundreds of thousands more will await their return;

**WHEREAS**, in terms of services, resources, benefits, and opportunities provided to Nevada's veterans, service members, their families, and their survivors, it is my stated goal to make Nevada the most veteran- and military-friendly State in the nation;

**WHEREAS**, my Administration has worked through the Green Zone Initiative in recent years to develop various opportunities for veterans, service members, their families, and their survivors through interagency cooperation, policy development, and program development;

**WHEREAS**, my Administration hosted the 2014 Veterans Legislative Symposium, where leaders and members of the veteran community gathered with statewide service providers to develop legislative and policy recommendations ahead of the 2015 Legislative Session;

**WHEREAS**, one recommendation from the 2014 Veterans Legislative Symposium was for the creation of a Veteran Resource and Service Directory for Nevada; and,

**WHEREAS**, Article 5, Section 1 of the Nevada Constitution provides that, "The supreme executive power of this State, shall be vested in a Chief Magistrate who shall be Governor of the State of Nevada."

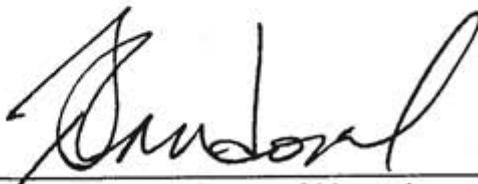
**NOW, THEREFORE**, by the authority vested in me as Governor by the Constitution and laws of the State of Nevada, I hereby direct and order:

1. The Governor's Veteran Resource and Service Directory Program is hereby established.
2. The Governor's Veteran Resource and Service Directory Program will provide a single location for Nevada's veterans, service members, their families, and their survivors to access and understand the services, benefits, resources, and opportunities that are available to them from local, state, federal, community, non-profit service providers, congressionally chartered veteran service organizations, and others.

3. The Nevada Department of Veterans Services shall be responsible for researching similar directories in existence in other states and regions, for allocating funding for this program from the Gift Account for Veterans, and for producing print and digital versions of the directory. Expenditures related to the Governor's Veteran Resource and Service Directory Program shall be reported by the Nevada Department of Veterans Services to the Interim Finance Committee by August 1<sup>st</sup> of each year in conjunction with the Veterans License Plate Gift Account report due at the same time.
4. The Nevada Department of Veterans Services shall develop a form that is accessible on their website that allows service providers or organizations to apply to be listed in the directory, a form that allows service providers or organizations to update their information in the directory, and policies and procedures for administering and implementing both.
5. The Nevada Department of Veterans Services shall also develop a form for all executive branch agencies to complete for each of their respective departments and each of their divisions, administrations, offices, or other subdivisions. The form shall identify the following:
  - a. the parent agency name and mission;
  - b. the subdivision name and mission;
  - c. appropriate general contact information for services provided;
  - d. a description of the veteran-related services provided;
  - e. a description of who is eligible for the service; and
  - f. a deadline for completion of the form by the agency.
6. This program will become effective January 1, 2015.

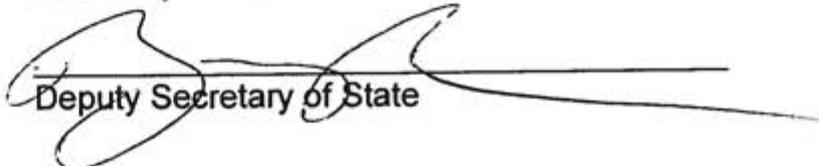
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Nevada to be affixed at the State Capitol in Carson City, this 21st day of May, in the year two thousand fourteen.



  
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Governor of the State of Nevada

By the Governor:

  
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Secretary of State

  
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Deputy Secretary of State