



## *A Proclamation by the Governor*

**WHEREAS**, no less than 146,000 Nevadans are touched by mental health challenges;  
and

**WHEREAS**, Nevada recognizes that mental health is essential to the overall health of every individual and our community; and

**WHEREAS**, the State of Nevada has continued to show strong efforts to work with our community to reduce the stigma associated with mental illness; and

**WHEREAS**, the Nevada Division of Mental Health and Developmental Services (MHDS) is dutifully, professionally, and ethically administering programs which serve over 25,000 Nevadans with serious mental illnesses each year; and

**WHEREAS**, the Nevada Division of Child and Family Services (DCFS) is dutifully, professionally, and ethically administering programs which serve over 4,000 children with serious emotional disturbances and their families each year; and

**WHEREAS**, MHDS and DCFS, with the support of the Governor and Legislature, have developed modern mental health programs which include consumers, their families and community stakeholders in the development of high quality and recovery-oriented programs for people with mental illnesses; and

**WHEREAS**, many consumers of mental health services, their families and community members express appreciation for the people and programs at MHDS and DCFS,

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, BRIAN SANDOVAL, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, do hereby proclaim May, 2012 as**

### **MENTAL HEALTH MONTH**



*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 23rd day of March, 2012.

By the Governor: Brian Sandoval Governor

Chris Miller Secretary of State

By \_\_\_\_\_ Deputy