



## *A Proclamation by the Governor*

**WHEREAS**, bullying is an aggressive behavior that is associated with violent behaviors such as carrying weapons, fighting, vandalism, theft and suicide; and

**WHEREAS**, recent studies showed that 32 percent of children reported being bullied at school and 4 percent of children reported being cyber-bullied during the school year; and

**WHEREAS**, children who are bullied are more likely than children who are not bullied to be depressed, lonely and anxious, to have low self-esteem and to contemplate suicide; and

**WHEREAS**, research has shown that bullying can be a sign of other antisocial or violent behavior and children who bully other children are more likely to be truant from school or to drop out of school; and

**WHEREAS**, acts of bullying create a school environment that negatively impacts the ability of children to learn not only for the children who are the victims of such acts but also for the children who witness those acts; and

**WHEREAS**, students, parents, educators, and community members all have a role to play in ensuring that Nevada is known as a place where bullying will not be tolerated, and where the Nevada family lives in mutual respect;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, BRIAN SANDOVAL, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, do hereby proclaim October 1-6, 2012, as**

### **WEEK OF RESPECT**



*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 3<sup>rd</sup> day of October, 2012.

By the Brian Sandoval Governor

Pats Miller Secretary of State

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