



A Proclamation by the Governor

WHEREAS, our long struggle for statehood was supported by Abraham Lincoln; On the 21st of March, 1864, the Congress of the United States passed "An Act to enable the people of the Territory of Nevada to form a Constitution and State Government and for the admission of such State into the Union on an equal footing with the Original States." A joyous birthday celebration is a fitting recognition of this Act which notes our humble beginnings, yet represents the great size and value of our addition to the Union; and

WHEREAS, on January 4th, 1964, Sewell's Bakery of Reno, provided a thirteen by twenty one foot cake for Nevada's Centennial; it is only fitting that a reproduction of their cake is to be enjoyed again by the people of the State of Nevada. This beautiful and edible, Battle Born Display should forever remind us of our origins and signifies our strength born at a time of war, freedom, and discovery; and

WHEREAS, our beloved Charles Clark Stevenson was the Fifth Governor of Nevada, inaugurated in 1887, was also the first Governor to die in office in 1890; today we use his sword to slice the cake celebrating our Sesquicentennial, as a reminder of his legacy as one of Nevada's first mining pioneer's. Stevenson lived the life of a true Nevadan; migrating here in 1859 on a wagon train, quickly becoming a land owner, purchasing half interest in the first quartz mill erected in Nevada, he worked to become a Nevada State Senator, bank director, a member of the State Republican Central Committee, and eventually spent his last years as one of our respected Nevada Governors; and

WHEREAS, fifty years ago, First Lady Mrs. Bette Sawyer, full of humor and grace, sliced the Centennial cake with Governor Blasdel's Sword, she left us a story to tell, and a tradition to uphold. Nevada's early politics were important to women; who have been a remarkably strong constant for Nevada's 150 years, and have made tremendous political strides such as getting the Vote for Nevada's Women, now having enjoyed this right for the last One Hundred Years; and

WHEREAS, Nevada contains 17 unique counties, each with their vast riches of minerals, wildlife, agriculture, tourism and gaming. Let them all celebrate our Birthday Wishes for their continued growth, adding strength to our state which millions of people visit; and all Nevadan's call their Home.

NOW THEREFORE, I, BRIAN SANDOVAL, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, do hereby proclaim, March 21, 2014 as a day in honor of the

BATTLE BORN BIRTHDAY CAKE CELEBRATION



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 14th day of March, 2014.



Governor

By the Governor:


Secretary of State

By _____
Deputy