



## *A Proclamation by the Governor*

**WHEREAS**, there are more than 400,000 Americans with Down Syndrome; and

**WHEREAS**, school doors have been opened up to students with Down Syndrome and vocational training and Postsecondary Education opportunities are increasing in preparation for gainful employment and independent living; and

**WHEREAS**, these changes have been a result of the collective effort of self-advocates, families, concerned healthcare professionals, scientific investigators, teachers, government, and groups such as the Down Syndrome Network of Northern Nevada who has provided information, resources and support for the past eight years to many Northern Nevada families who have children and relatives with Down syndrome; and

**WHEREAS**, each year the voice of people with Down Syndrome, and those who live and work with them, grows louder; and

**WHEREAS**, March 21 2014 marks the 9th anniversary of World Down Syndrome Day; and

**WHEREAS**, World Down Syndrome Day is observed by over 60 nations; and

**WHEREAS**, people with Down Syndrome play a vital role in our lives and communities.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, BRIAN SANDOVAL, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NEVADA**, do hereby proclaim, March 21, 2014 as

### **DOWN SYNDROME DAY IN NEVADA**



*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 14<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2014.

By the Governor \_\_\_\_\_ Governor

By \_\_\_\_\_ Secretary of State

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