



## *A Proclamation by the Governor*

**WHEREAS**, Lupus is an autoimmune disease that can cause severe damage to the tissue and organs in the body and, some cases, death; and

**WHEREAS**, more than five million people worldwide suffer the devastating effects of this disease and each year over a hundred thousand women, men and children are newly diagnosed with Lupus, the great majority of whom are women of childbearing age; and

**WHEREAS**, medical research efforts into lupus and the discovery of safer, more effective treatments for Lupus patients are under-funded in comparison with diseases of comparable magnitude and severity; and

**WHEREAS**, many physicians worldwide are unaware of symptoms and health effects Lupus, causing people with lupus to suffer for many years before they obtain a correct diagnosis and medical treatment; and

**WHEREAS**, there is a deep, unmet need worldwide to educate and support individuals and families affected by Lupus; and

**WHEREAS**, there is an urgent need to increase awareness in communities worldwide to the debilitating impact of Lupus;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, BRIAN SANDOVAL, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, do hereby proclaim May 10, 2014, as**

### **WORLD LUPUS DAY**



*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 30th day of April, 2014.

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

By Teri Miller \_\_\_\_\_ Secretary of State

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