State of Nevada

Executive Department

A Proclamation by the Governor

WHEREAS, the earliest Mother's Day celebrations can be traced back to ancient Greece in honor of Rhea, the Mother of the Gods; and

WHEREAS, during the 1600's, England celebrated a day called Mothering Sunday; and

WHEREAS, during this time many of the poor lived with and worked as servants for the wealthy having only "Mothering Sunday" off to return home and spend the day with their mothers; and

WHEREAS, in the United States, Mother's Day was first suggested in 1872 by Julian Ward Howe as a day dedicated to peace; and

WHEREAS, in 1908 Ana Jarvis, from Philadelphia, began a campaign to establish a national Mother's day; and

WHEREAS, President Woodrow Wilson made the official announcement in 1914, proclaiming the 2nd Sunday of May as a national holiday; and

WHEREAS, we encourage all State offices, schools, homes, lodges, churches and places of business to display the United States flag in honor of our dedicated and loving mothers throughout our State;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BRIAN SANDOVAL, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, do hereby proclaim May 11, 2014, as a day in honor of

MOTHERS

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 9th day of May, 2014.

Governor

By the Governor:

Secretary of State

By

Deputy