State of Nevada Executive Department

A Proclamation by the Governor

WHEREAS, over 300,000 Nevadans are touched by mental health challenges, including over 80,000 with a serious mental illness; and

WHEREAS, Nevada recognizes that mental health is essential to the overall health of every individual and our community; and

WHEREAS, the State of Nevada has continued to show strong efforts to work with our community to reduce the stigma associated with mental illnesses; and

WHEREAS, the Nevada Division of Public and Behavioral Health (DPBH) is dutifully, professionally and ethically administering programs which serve over 25,000 Nevadans with serious mental illnesses each year; and

WHEREAS, the Nevada Division of Children and Families (DCFS) is dutifully, professionally and ethically administering programs which serve over 3,500 children with serious emotional disturbance and their families each year; and

WHEREAS, DPBH and DCFS, with the support of the Governor and the Legislature, have developed high quality and recovery-oriented programs for adults and youth suffering with mental illnesses, co-occurring mental and substance abuse/use disorders; and

WHEREAS, many consumers of mental health services, their families and community members express appreciation for the people and programs at DPBH and DCFS;

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

MENTAL HEALTH MONTH

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.

Brian Sandoval

By the Governor — *Governor*

Ross Miller

Secretary of State

By _____

Deputy