State of Nevada Executive Department

A Proclamation by the Governor

WHEREAS, in today's highly interconnected world, telephones provide a lifeline to emergency help and a vital link to government services, community resources, friends and family; and

WHEREAS, the Lifeline Assistance (Lifeline) programs offer tremendous benefits for eligible consumers in America and make basic telephone service more affordable; and

WHEREAS, the Lifeline program provides a discount to eligible low-income customers on their monthly phone bill; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) has established Enhanced Link-Up and Lifeline programs for Tribal Lands and recently updated its rules governing Lifeline program eligibility and non-duplication of support; and

WHEREAS, consumers should not be without local phone service because they cannot afford it, and therefore the promotion of Lifeline is imperative to ensure that all U.S. citizens have access to affordable basic local telephone service; and

WHEREAS, The Lifeline program has undergone a transformation in recent years to improve program efficiency and combat waste, fraud and abuse to ensure that only those eligible are receiving this vital support; and

WHEREAS, the FCC, the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners, the National Association of State Utility Consumer Advocates, the Public Utilities Commission of Nevada, and other state and federal agencies, cities, counties, organizations, and telecommunications companies are committed to increasing awareness about the availability of the Lifeline programs and are encouraging eligible citizens to sign up for the programs;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BRIAN SANDOVAL, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, do hereby proclaim the week of September 8-14, 2014, as

NEVADA LIFELINE AWARENESS WEEK

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 26th day of August, 2014.

Governor

By the Governor:

Secretary of State

By _____

Deputy