



A Proclamation by the Governor

WHEREAS, Charcot-Marie-Tooth (CMT) Disorder, a disease of the nerves that control muscles, is the most commonly inherited peripheral neuropathy, affecting 1 in 2,500 people worldwide, and approximately 2,758,931 people in NV live with CMT; and

WHEREAS, this disorder, named after the three physicians who discovered it in 1886 (Jean-Martin Charcot, Pierre Marie, and Howard Henry Tooth), is characterized by a slow and progressive degeneration of the muscles in the feet, lower legs, hands and arms, causing loss of normal function and/or sensation that can be severely disabling and may be accompanied by chronic pain and overwhelming fatigue; and

WHEREAS, patients with CMT must constantly advocate on their own behalf to doctors, medical professionals, and educators who are often unaware of or insufficiently educated about the disorder, its symptoms, and the obstacles faced by those affected by the disorder; and

WHEREAS, the mission of the Charcot-Marie-Tooth Association (CMTA) is to support the development of new drugs to treat CMT, to improve the quality of life for people with CMT and ultimately, to find a cure for CMT; and

WHEREAS, the CMTA's Strategy to Accelerate Research Initiative is making great strides toward developing therapies for CMT through an innovative public/private partnership combining the National Institutes of Health, universities and laboratories around the world to identify candidate drugs with potential to begin human trials for the treatment of CMT;

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

CHARCOT-MARIE-TOOTH DISORDER AWARENESS 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 14th day of August, 2014.

By the Governor:

Governor

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Secretary of State

By _____

Deputy