State of Nevada

Executive Department

A Proclamation by the Governor

WHEREAS, approximately one in five Americans, or 54 million people has a disability; and

WHEREAS, more than 375,000 adults and children in Nevada have disabilities; and

WHEREAS, today's society regards disabilities as a natural part of the human condition, and believes that those with disabilities are entitled to full inclusion in our communities; and

WHEREAS, the ability of people with disabilities to fulfill their aspirations and lead full and productive lives is limited only by the opportunities afforded them; and

WHEREAS, the services and expertise provided by professional personnel, parents, and concerned citizens enable people with disabilities to participate more freely in education, employment, and community living; and

WHEREAS, through increased national awareness of such programs, the public will better understand the potential and needs of people with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, October is recognized nationally as Disability Awareness Month, and denotes a time and opportunity to recognize the skills, abilities, and contributions of people with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, the State of Nevada is committed to providing support and services to enhance the lives of people with disabilities;

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

DISABILITY 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 8th day of September, 2014.

Governor

By the Governor:

Secretary of State

By _____

Deputy