



## *A Proclamation by the Governor*

**WHEREAS**, there are more than 192,000 licensed nurse practitioners (NPs) in the United States with 1,002 NPs practicing in the great State of Nevada, providing high-quality, cost-effective, patient-centered, personalized health care for nearly half a century; and

**WHEREAS**, NPs order, perform, and interpret diagnostic tests, diagnose and treat acute and chronic conditions; and prescribe medications and other treatments; and

**WHEREAS**, 19 states, including Nevada and the District of Columbia, have granted full practice authority to NPs, giving patients more direct access to the primary, acute and specialty care services that NPs provide; and

**WHEREAS**, NPs are truly partners in the health care of their patients, so that in addition to clinical services, NPs focus on health promotion, disease prevention and health education and counseling, guiding patients to make positive health and lifestyle choices; and

**WHEREAS**, the excellence, safety, and cost-effectiveness of the care provided by NPs is established and well-documented; and

**WHEREAS**, NPs provide health care to people of all ages and in diverse health care settings such as private office practice, hospitals, long-term care facilities, schools, state and local health departments, managed care facilities, and retail-based clinics;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, BRIAN SANDOVAL, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NEVADA**, do hereby proclaim November 9 – 15, 2014, as

### **NATIONAL NURSE PRACTITIONER 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 21st day of October, 2014.

  
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By the Governor: Governor

  
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Secretary of State

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy