



A Proclamation by the Governor

WHEREAS, family caregivers play an increasingly important role in the wellbeing of loved ones, providing unpaid assistance with both health care tasks and activities of daily living; and

WHEREAS, more than a third of Nevadans over the age of 50 currently provide unpaid care for a parent, spouse, child, others relatives, and friends; and

WHEREAS, more than 500,000 family caregivers in Nevada provide unpaid assistance equivalent to 348 million hours and an estimated value of 4 billion dollars each year; and

WHEREAS, the proportion of Nevada's population that is over 60 is growing more rapidly than other segments of the population, and the U.S. Census Bureau estimates that about 24 percent of Nevadans will be over age 60 by 2030; and

WHEREAS, older adults who receive cost-effective services at home are more likely to continue to live independently in communities, without needing nursing home care or relying on public assistance; and

WHEREAS, to successfully address the surging population of older adults and others with significant needs for long-term services and support, we must develop methods to encourage and support Nevada's family caregivers, while developing ways to recruit and retain a qualified, responsive in-home care workforce;

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

NATIONAL FAMILY CAREGIVERS 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 21st day of October, 2014.



By the Governor: Governor



Secretary of State

By _____
Deputy