



A Proclamation by the Governor

WHEREAS, esophageal cancer is among the deadliest and fastest growing cancer diagnoses in our nation; and

WHEREAS, esophageal cancer is a disease in which cancer cells form in the tissues of the esophagus, often preceded by symptoms of pain or difficulty swallowing, indigestion, heartburn, hoarseness, and coughing; risk factors for esophageal cancer include gastric reflux, heavy alcohol, and tobacco use; and

WHEREAS, esophageal cancer is often discovered during advanced stages, but if discovered early, chances for recovery and survival are far better, and treatments for the disease include surgery, chemotherapy, radiation, laser therapy, and electro coagulation; and

WHEREAS, during the month of April, we raise awareness of esophageal cancer in Nevada, encouraging citizens to pay attention to esophageal cancer symptoms in order to promote early detection and treatment;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BRIAN SANDOVAL, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, do hereby proclaim April 2015 as

ESOPHAGEAL CANCER 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 10th day of March, 2015.

By the Governor: Brian Sandoval Governor

Bailana K. Cegavske Secretary of State

By Scott W. Anderson Deputy