

## *A Proclamation by the Governor*

**WHEREAS**, 16.1% of adult Nevadans suffer from any mental illness and 10.3% of adult Nevadans either abuse or have a dependence upon illicit drugs or alcohol; and

**WHEREAS**, Nevada recognizes that mental health is essential to the overall health of every individual and our community; and

**WHEREAS**, the State of Nevada has continued to show strong efforts to work with our community to reduce the stigma associated with mental illnesses; and

**WHEREAS**, the Nevada Division of Public and Behavioral Health (DPBH) dutifully, professionally, and ethically administered programs that served over 44,000 persons with mental health or substance abuse disorders in 2014; and

**WHEREAS**, the DPBH and the Division of Child and Family Services (DCFS), with the support of the Governor and the Legislature, have developed high quality and recovery-oriented programs for adults and youth suffering with mental illnesses, co-occurring mental and substance abuse/use disorders; and

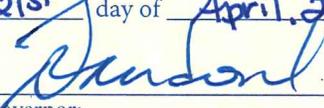
**WHEREAS**, many consumers of mental health services, their families and community members express appreciation for the people and the programs at DPBH and DCFS;

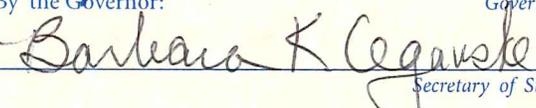
**NOW, THEREFORE, I, BRIAN SANDOVAL, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NEVADA**, do hereby proclaim May 2015 as

### **MENTAL HEALTH MONTH IN NEVADA**



*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 21<sup>st</sup> day of April, 2015.

  
By the Governor: \_\_\_\_\_ Governor

  
By \_\_\_\_\_ Secretary of State

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