



A Proclamation by the Governor

WHEREAS, Colleen Cripps, Ph.D., Administrator of the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection, is retiring from State service as of June 2015; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Cripps has made a lasting contribution to the health and protection of Nevada's natural resources and has worked diligently and thoughtfully to reach balanced decisions that impact the State and its citizens; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Cripps has served the State of Nevada for more than 25 years through her various roles within the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection, being named in 2010 as the first woman to lead the Division as its Administrator; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Cripps has made important contributions in various positions within the Division, including as a planner in the Bureau of Waste Management, as chief of the Bureau of Air Quality Planning, as deputy administrator responsible for the agency's air, waste and federal facility programs, and as the Division's top executive; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Cripps has been instrumental in advancing the work of the Division in numerous significant ways, including developing the Division's air quality programs; creating the nation's first state-based mercury control program; devising collaborative non-regulatory solutions to a variety of problems; providing leadership in negotiating some of the largest settlements in the history of the Division; and resolving difficult and complex issues such that the result is a cleaner and safer environment; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Cripps has been an exemplary representative of Nevada as she has contributed her environmental expertise through organizational leadership and participation on the national stage and offering of Congressional testimony; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Cripps is a proud native Nevadan, born and raised in Ely, who greatly values education as evidenced by her Bachelors, Masters and Doctoral degrees from the University of Nevada, Reno; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Cripps is a multi-talented and eclectic individual, with a zest for life and a myriad of interests that include world travel, hiking the great outdoors, the creation and enjoyment of fine arts in many forms, as well as extraordinary literature, cuisine and her beloved family; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Cripps' service to the State of Nevada has been exemplary, meaningful and worthy of special notice;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BRIAN SANDOVAL, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, do hereby proclaim June 5, 2015, as a day in honor of

COLLEEN CRIPPS Ph.D.



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 26th day of May, 2015.



By the Governor: Governor



Secretary of State

By 

Deputy