



A Proclamation by the Governor

WHEREAS, The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Summer Food Service Program (SFSP), administered by the Nevada Department of Agriculture (NDA), was established to ensure that children continue to receive nutritious meals when school is not in session; and

WHEREAS, meals that meet federal nutrition guidelines are provided to all children at approved SFSP sites; and

WHEREAS, the SFSP is one of the most underutilized federal programs, with approximately 15 percent of children who are eligible for the program receiving meals. More than 220,000 children in the Nevada receive meals through the National School Lunch Program during the school year, but during the summer only about 1 in 10 of those children receive meals through the federal Summer Food Service Program; and

WHEREAS, as a result the Nevada Department of Agriculture has worked to reach new sponsors through partnerships with national, state and local organizations, experiencing a 15 percent increase in the total number of meals provided and increasing the number of sites by 41 percent in 2014; and

WHEREAS, the Summer Food Service Program aims to bring awareness by encouraging more organizations to help fill the summer "nutrition gap" in underserved areas in Nevada;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BRIAN SANDOVAL, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, do hereby proclaim June 8, 2015, as

SUMMER FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM KICK OFF DAY IN NEAVDA



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 29th day of April, 2015.

By the Governor: _____ Governor

Barbara K. Coganke
Secretary of State

By _____ Deputy