



## *A Proclamation by the Governor*

**WHEREAS**, pain is a major public health problem for children and adults and is the number one reason Americans seek medical care; and

**WHEREAS**, the Institute of Medicine has found that 100 million Americans live with chronic pain as a result of serious illnesses and injuries; and

**WHEREAS**, pain negatively impacts almost every aspect of a person's life including the ability to work, sleep and engage in social activities as well as adversely impacts pain sufferers' families and caregivers; and

**WHEREAS**, the U.S. Pain Foundation's mission is to inform, empower and advocate on behalf of our over 60,000 members throughout the country and all those who live with chronic pain; and

**WHEREAS**, the U.S. Pain Foundation provides education on pain management skills and constructive ways to cope with pain and find fulfillment in life; and

**WHEREAS**, increased awareness about the effects of chronic pain result in better outcomes, increased access to good pain care and empowerment and validation for those living with pain;

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

### **PAIN AWARENESS 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 10<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2015.

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

Barbara K. Ceganski  
Secretary of State

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