State of Nevada Executive Department

A Proclamation by the Governor

WHEREAS, *there are more than 205,000 licensed nurse practitioners (NPs) in the United States with over 1000 NPs practicing in the State of Nevada, providing high-quality, cost-effective, patient-centered, personalized health care; and*

WHEREAS, *NPs order, perform and interpret diagnostic tests, diagnose and treat acute and chronic conditions, and prescribe medications and other treatments; and*

WHEREAS, *NPs are truly partners in the health care of their patients, so that in addition to clinical services, NPs focus on health promotion, disease prevention and health education and counseling, guiding patients to make smarter health and lifestyle choices; and*

WHEREAS, *the excellence, safety, and cost-effectiveness of the care provided by NPs is established and well-documented; and*

WHEREAS, *it is documented that patients of NPs are given more personal time and attention than they traditionally receive from other health care providers; and*

WHEREAS, *the first NP program was founded in 1965 and NPs have been serving patients throughout Nevada, and the country, for 50 years;*

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BRIAN SANDOVAL, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, *do hereby proclaim the week of November 8-14, 2015, as*

NATIONAL NP WEEK 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 9th day of October, 2015.

By the Governor: *Governor*

Barbara K. Cegavske
Secretary of State

By _____
Deputy