



## *A Proclamation by the Governor*

**WHEREAS**, in 1872, J. Sterling Morton proposed to the Nebraska Board of Agriculture that a special day be set aside for the planting of trees; and

**WHEREAS**, this holiday, called Arbor Day, was first observed with the planting of more than a million trees in Nebraska and is now observed in the State of Nevada and in communities across the nation; and

**WHEREAS**, trees are a precious natural resource that reduce the erosion of topsoil by wind and water, reduce heating and cooling costs, moderate the temperature, clean the air, produce life-giving oxygen, and provide habitat for wildlife; and

**WHEREAS**, the State of Nevada has designated two official state trees, the Bristlecone Pine, which is among oldest living organisms on the planet, and the Single-Leaf Pinyon, which is known for thriving in difficult climates and coarse conditions; and

**WHEREAS**, Nevada's state trees are symbolic of the rugged history of the Silver State, representing the tireless persistence and endurance that has inspired the growth, expansion, and success of our communities; and

**WHEREAS**, all Nevadans are hereby encouraged to participate in Arbor Day activities and events in support of this national tradition celebrating the ecological, cultural, and historical significance of trees;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, BRIAN SANDOVAL, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, do hereby proclaim, April 29, 2016 as**

### **ARBOR DAY 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 28<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2016.

By the Governor:

Governor

*Barbara K. Caggs*  
Secretary of State

By

*Scott M. Hudon*  
Deputy