



A Proclamation by the Governor

WHEREAS, promoting the health and wellness of Nevada's citizens includes supporting efforts and initiatives to increase public awareness regarding harmful diseases and chronic conditions; and

WHEREAS, Syringomyelia, often referred to as SM, is a chronic disorder involving the spinal cord that leads to chronic pain, including neuropathic pain syndromes, as well as severe headaches and possible paralysis; and

WHEREAS, at this time there is no known cure for SM, and the need for broader awareness and understanding of SM is critical in order for meaningful research to continue, and for the quality of life of those suffering from SM to be improved; and

WHEREAS, the American Syringomyelia & Chiari Alliance Project, Inc. ("ASAP"), the oldest non-profit organization for Chiari and Syringomyelia, has designated the month of May as the official month for Syringomyelia awareness, in an effort to increase support, fund research, and educate the public regarding SM; and

WHEREAS, the State of Nevada commends organizations such as ASAP working to cultivate healthier communities through public education, with continued commitment to promoting access to healthcare resources and supportive services for Nevadans suffering from chronic disabilities;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BRIAN SANDOVAL, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, do hereby proclaim the month of May, 2016 as

SYRINGOMYELIA 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 11th day of May, 2016.

By the Governor: _____ Governor

Barbara K. Logan
Secretary of State

By _____ Deputy