State of Nevada

Executive Department

A Proclamation by the Governor

WHEREAS, *approximately 600 individuals in Nevada are currently on the national organ transplant waiting list, and nationally 22 patients die each day due to the shortage of donated organs; and*

WHEREAS, *organ and tissue donations are life-giving acts recognized worldwide as expressions of compassion to those in need that save thousands of lives each year; and*

WHEREAS, *transplant donor networks partner with families, doctors, nurses, and coroners in the Silver State to connect donors to recipients; and*

WHEREAS, *organ and tissue donor referral services are dedicated to educating citizens about their ability to save lives by registering as a donor through the online Donor Registry or at the Nevada Department of Motor Vehicles; and*

WHEREAS, *every donation is a powerful gift that can save the life of someone in need; and*

WHEREAS, *one person's donation of the heart, lungs, liver, kidneys, pancreas and small intestine can save up to eight lives, and the donation of tissue can save and heal up to 75 others; and*

WHEREAS, *the month of April is an opportunity to increase awareness for organ and tissue donation, and a time to offer thanks and appreciation for the donors and families who inspire our communities;*

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BRIAN SANDOVAL, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, *do hereby proclaim April 2017 as*

DONATE LIFE 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 21st day of February, 2017.

By the Governor: *Governor*

Barbara K. Cegavske
Secretary of State

By _____
Deputy