State of Nevada

Executive Department

A Proclamation by the Governor

WHEREAS, *stroke occurs at a rate of 1 in 1,600 to 4,000 live births each year and in 12 in 100,000 children per year, with stroke being the sixth leading cause of death in children; and*

WHEREAS, *between 50 and 85 percent of infants and children who have a pediatric stroke will have serious, permanent, neurological disabilities, including paralysis, seizures, speech and vision problems, attention, learning and behavioral difficulties, and may require ongoing physical therapy and surgeries; and*

WHEREAS, *the life-long health concerns and treatments resulting from pediatric stroke result in a financial and emotional toll on the child, family and society; and*

WHEREAS, *little is known about the cause, treatment and prevention of pediatric stroke and the risk factors, symptoms, prevention efforts, and treatment are often different in children than in adults, and only through medical research can treatment and prevention strategies for pediatric stroke be identified and developed; and*

WHEREAS, *an early diagnosis and treatment greatly improves chances of recovery and prevention of recurrence; and*

WHEREAS, *the month of May is an opportunity to recognize organizations across the Silver State for their dedicated work to promote awareness, programs, services and advocacy for families;*

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

PEDIATRIC STROKE 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 27th day of April, 2017.

By the Governor: *Governor*

Barbara K. Cegavske
Secretary of State

By _____
Deputy