



A Proclamation by the Governor

WHEREAS, American Indians are the original inhabitants of the territories that now constitute the United States of America; and

WHEREAS, the Silver State is home to the Great Basin American Indian tribes, the Washoe, Northern Paiute, Southern Paiute and Western Shoshone, which encompass 27 Tribes, Bands and Colonies, each having unique traditions and identities that span generations; and

WHEREAS, American Indians in Nevada and nationwide have made invaluable contributions to our nation, beginning with the assistance they gave to our founding fathers; and

WHEREAS, Indian tribes in the State of Nevada work to maintain their dynamic culture, customs and traditions in order to pass them on to future generations; and

WHEREAS, Nevada's Indian tribes have enriched the citizens of the Silver State by teaching and sharing their history and culture through stories, dance, native regalia, and traditional foods; and

WHEREAS, the great State of Nevada recognizes the outstanding contributions of the Silver State's American Indians, commemorates their achievements and encourages all Nevadans and those who visit our great state to learn about the American Indian heritage, culture, and history;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BRIAN SANDOVAL, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, do hereby proclaim September 22, 2017 as

AMERICAN INDIAN 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 29th day of August, 2017.

By the Governor: _____ Governor

Barbara K. Cegavske
Secretary of State

By *W. J. T. Doherty* Deputy