



A Proclamation by the Governor

WHEREAS, the development of transportation routes into and throughout the State of Nevada has been pivotal to the development and prosperity of the State; and

WHEREAS, the Lincoln Highway was conceived, by visionaries from the automobile, tire, and cement industries in 1912 as a transcontinental highway covering approximately 3400 miles from New York's Times Square to San Francisco's Lincoln Park; and became, in 1913, the goal of a national voluntary membership association, the Lincoln Highway Association; and

WHEREAS, the Lincoln Highway was conceived to promote business as well as provide citizens with an enjoyable route throughout the towns and countryside; and

WHEREAS, the Lincoln Highway was initially comprised of sections of dirt, sand and even pasture to be marked only by posts, poles and handwritten signs, the fully realized concept of the transcontinental Lincoln Highway came to be as all 13 states along its route and eventually the Federal government adopted the route and funded construction and improvements along it; and

WHEREAS, by the 1920s cross-country racers were setting records and capturing headlines along the route; songs and poems were written about the road; the highway caught on in the advertising world and restaurants, motor garages, campgrounds, and hotels proudly displayed the highway's banners and named themselves after the highway; and

WHEREAS, in order to preserve the historic heritage of the Lincoln Highway, the Lincoln Highway Association was re-activated by a volunteer organization in 1992 to, much like its predecessor, act or prompt others to act, to promote an awareness of the rich historical heritage of the Lincoln Highway; and

WHEREAS, in recent years, the Lincoln Highway has experienced a major renaissance and renewal of interest both nationally and particularly in Nevada; and

WHEREAS, the Lincoln Highway, as the nation's first transcontinental roadway, was the pioneering model, the forerunner for the Interstate Highways that today link all other American transportation systems together into the largest and most efficient intermodal transport system in the world; and

WHEREAS, the year 2013 marks the 100th anniversary of the dedication of the Lincoln Highway;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BRIAN SANDOVAL, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, do hereby proclaim June 2013 as a month in honor of the

100th Anniversary of the Lincoln Highway Dedication

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 March, 2013.

By the Governor:

Governor

By _____

Secretary of State

Deputy

