



A Proclamation by the Governor

WHEREAS, The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) is the U.S. Government agency responsible for the certification and approval of respiratory protective devices for occupational use; and

WHEREAS, Respirators are used to reduce the wearer's risk of inhaling hazardous airborne particles (including dust particles and infectious agents), gases and vapors; and

WHEREAS, An estimated 20 million men and women use personal protective equipment (PPE) on a regular basis to protect against job hazards – doctors and nurses, firefighters, first-responders, coal miners, agriculture workers and all those they come in contact with; and

WHEREAS, Almost 50,000 deaths are attributed to work-related diseases each year. Proper use of respirators substantially reduces injuries, illnesses and fatalities; and

WHEREAS, Many workers across a wide range of industries depend on the N95 for protection when working in environments with hazardous airborne particles; and

WHEREAS, N95 means that the product (respirator) filters at least 95% of airborne particles. Using a NIOSH-approved respirator can significantly improve worker health and safety; and

WHEREAS, N95 Day familiarizes workers in a wide range of industries with the resources to help them make informed and educated decisions when selecting and wearing a respirator; and

WHEREAS, September 5th, has been declared N95 Day to recognize the importance of respiratory protection in the workplace; and

WHEREAS, Nevada is a leading advocate for worker safety and unites under the banner of respiratory protection for all; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BRIAN SANDOVAL, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, do hereby proclaim September 5, 2013 as

N95 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 6th day of September, 2013

By the Governor: _____ Governor

By _____ Secretary of State

By _____ Deputy

