



A Proclamation by the Governor

WHEREAS, the Gaining Early Awareness and Readiness for Undergraduate Programs (GEAR UP) is a federally funded, competitive grant program designed to increase the number of low-income students who are prepared to enter and succeed in postsecondary education;

WHEREAS, GEAR UP serves low-income, minority and disadvantaged students and their families from underserved communities who might be the first person in their family to go to college; and

WHEREAS, GEAR UP provides six- or seven-year grants to states or partnerships to deliver support and resources to students and their families, starting no later than the 7th grade (middle school), through high school and onward to fulfill their dreams of attaining a postsecondary education; and

WHEREAS, GEAR UP includes interventions such as tutoring, mentoring, rigorous academic preparation, financial education and college scholarships to improve access to higher education for low income, minority and disadvantaged first-generation students and their families; and

WHEREAS, GEAR UP is built around public-private partnerships, enlisting the formidable resources of government, business and community groups to support low-income students as they prepare to enter and succeed in college; and

WHEREAS, the Nevada GEAR UP is a partnership of the Office of the Governor, Office of the State Treasurer, Nevada System of Higher Education, Nevada Department of Education, Wells Fargo, AT&T, ACT Inc., College Board, Texas Instruments, and Nevada public school districts; and

WHEREAS, Nevada GEAR UP currently serves 5,332 students in 7th and 8th grade and has previously served 5,710 students in the first two GEAR UP grants; and

WHEREAS, the week of September 23, 2013 has been declared National GEAR UP Week; and

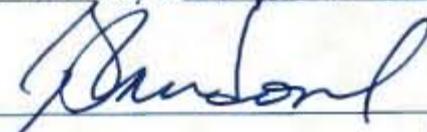
WHEREAS, Nevada is committed to providing a quality education for all students, helping them to achieve their highest potential:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BRIAN SANDOVAL, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, do hereby proclaim September 23 – 27, 2013, as

National GEAR UP Week 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 23rd day of September, 2013


By the Governor: _____ Governor


Secretary of State

By _____
Deputy