



## *A Proclamation by the Governor*

**WHEREAS**, the history and culture of our great nation has been significantly influenced by the Asian American and Pacific Islander Community; and

**WHEREAS**, on May 7, 1843 the first Japanese immigrant set foot on American soil; and

**WHEREAS**, on May 10, 1869 the last ties were placed on the transcontinental railroad, the majority of the labor done by Chinese immigrants; and

**WHEREAS**, Nevada is home to many Filipino Veterans who fought valiantly for America during World War II; and

**WHEREAS**, the Asian American and Pacific Islander Community's customs and traditions are celebrated as part of a rich legacy throughout the United States and Nevada; and

**WHEREAS**, Asian-Pacific Heritage Week began in 1978 and was expanded by President George H.W. Bush into a month-long celebration in 1990; and

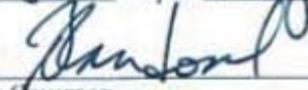
**WHEREAS**, in honor of Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month, community celebrations as well as numerous cultural, artistic, educational and historical activities are planned;

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

### **ASIAN AMERICAN AND PACIFIC ISLANDER HERITAGE 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 8<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2013.

  
By the Governor \_\_\_\_\_ Governor

  
Secretary of State

By \_\_\_\_\_ Deputy