



## *A Proclamation by the Governor*

**WHEREAS**, Peripheral neuropathy, or “nerve damage,” affects over 20 million Americans, making it one of the most common chronic neurological diseases and one of the leading causes of disability in adults in the U.S.; and

**WHEREAS**, early warning signs can include pain, numbness, tingling, and weakness. There are over 100 known types of peripheral neuropathy. One third of all neuropathy patients receive an “idiopathic” (or of an unknown cause) diagnosis. Another third of neuropathy patients have diabetic peripheral neuropathy (50-70% of all diabetics developing diabetic peripheral neuropathy). And, the remaining have neuropathy resulting from autoimmune disorders like CIDP, heredity, cancer, HIV/AIDS, nutritional imbalances, infections, and toxins; and

**WHEREAS**, with early diagnosis, neuropathy can often be managed and if ignored, symptoms can progress to persistent weakness, loss of sensation, chronic pain, or disability;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, BRIAN SANDOVAL, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NEVADA**, do hereby proclaim May 13 - 17, 2013 as

### **NEUROPATHY AWARENESS 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 7<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2013.

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

By \_\_\_\_\_ Secretary of State

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