



## *A Proclamation by the Governor*

**WHEREAS**, the month of April each year has been designated as "Paleontological Awareness Month;" and

**WHEREAS**, the study of paleontology seeks to find information about the history of the Earth through the study of fossils' environment and evolution; and

**WHEREAS**, the necessity for state and local officers, private and nonprofit groups and foundations, schools, businesses, and other public and private entities to work toward the goal of preserving the paleontology resources of Nevada resides in the importance of understanding its earth history and its contribution to future business; and

**WHEREAS**, the recognition of the important contribution of prehistoric fossils and other paleontological sites of Nevada also illuminates the impact of paleontological sciences and their importance in Nevada history and future; and

**WHEREAS**, the paleontological sites in Nevada, including Berlin-Ichthyosaur State Park and Tule Springs, have contributed to bringing renowned scientists and producing distinguished research on the Ichthyosaur fossils and Pleistocene animals, making Nevada a notable area in paleontology science;

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

### ***PALEONTOLOGICAL AWARENESS 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 2nd day of April, 2013.

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

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

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