State of Nevada Executive Department

A Proclamation by the Governor

WHEREAS, 16.1% of adult Nevadans suffer from any mental illness and 10.3% of adult Nevadans either abuse or have a dependence upon illicit drugs or alcohol; and

WHEREAS, Nevada recognizes that mental health is essential to the overall health of every individual and our community; and

WHEREAS, the State of Nevada has continued to show strong efforts to work with our community to reduce the stigma associated with mental illnesses; and

WHEREAS, the Nevada Division of Public and Behavioral Health (DPBH) dutifully, professionally, and ethically administered programs that served over 44,000 persons with mental health or substance abuse disorders in 2014; and

WHEREAS, the DPBH and the Division of Child and Family Services (DCFS), with the support of the Governor and the Legislature, have developed high quality and recovery-oriented programs for adults and youth suffering with mental illnesses, co-occurring mental and substance abuse/use disorders; and

WHEREAS, many consumers of mental health services, their families and community members express appreciation for the people and the programs at DPBH and DCFS;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BRIAN SANDOVAL, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, do hereby proclaim May 2015 as

MENTAL HEALTH 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 21st day of April, 2015.

Sandoval
Governor

By the Governor:

Barbara K Cegavske
Secretary of State

By _____
Deputy