



## *A Proclamation by the Governor*

**WHEREAS**, approximately 57 million Americans have a disability; and

**WHEREAS**, more than 43,000 adults and children in Nevada have developmental disabilities; and

**WHEREAS**, Nevadans with and without disabilities work, play, learn, and grow together; and

**WHEREAS**, every person, regardless of ability, has valuable strengths, infinite capacity to learn, and the potential to make important contributions to their communities; and

**WHEREAS**, people with developmental disabilities in Nevada share with the State's other residents the right to live life as they choose in their education, jobs, recreation and homes; and

**WHEREAS**, families of people with developmental disabilities deserve our admiration and recognition for their caring commitment and ongoing support that are essential to an independent and productive life; and

**WHEREAS**, Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month is a time to recognize Nevada's public policy accomplishments concerning persons with disabilities, and to identify the improvements to public policy that are needed to fully include all of Nevada's citizens with developmental disabilities; and

**WHEREAS**, celebrating the abilities and contributions of people with development disabilities can enrich the communities of Nevada and enhance our diversity;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, BRIAN SANDOVAL, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, do hereby proclaim March 2017 as**

### **DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES 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 10<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2017.

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

*Debra K. Goggin*  
Secretary of State

By *Scott W. Anderson*  
Deputy