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 10th day of February 2017.

By the Governor:

By the Secretary of State:

By the Deputy: