



## *A Proclamation by the Governor*

**WHEREAS**, nurse practitioners (NPs) serve as trusted front line providers of healthcare for patients in the Silver State; and

**WHEREAS**, NPs are Advanced Practice Registered Nurses (APRNs) who have advanced clinical education and training, building upon their initial registered nurse preparation; and

**WHEREAS**, there are 234,000 licensed nurse practitioners in the United States, and 1,600 in Nevada, providing primary, acute and specialty care to patients; and

**WHEREAS**, nurse practitioners diagnose, treat and prescribe medications and other treatments to patients through a caring, patient-centered, holistic model of care; and

**WHEREAS**, citizens have great trust in the high-quality care nurse practitioners provide, resulting in more than a billion patient visits annually to NPs across the country; and

**WHEREAS**, five decades of research demonstrate the high quality of care provided by nurse practitioners; and

**WHEREAS**, utilization of nurse practitioners through modernized state laws and improved system policies creates better health through a more accessible, efficient, cost-effective and higher quality health care system; and

**WHEREAS**, Nevada is proud to recognize and honor nurse practitioners for their continuous contributions to the health and well-being of the citizens in our state;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, BRIAN SANDOVAL, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, do hereby proclaim the week of November 12 - 18, 2018 as**

### **NURSE PRACTITIONER 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 16<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2018.

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

*Berhana K. Legarske*  
Secretary of State

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