



A Proclamation by the Governor

WHEREAS, the theme for the 2018 Arson Awareness Week is 'Reducing Arson at Vacant and Abandoned Buildings;' and

WHEREAS, according to the U.S. Fire Administration, intentional actions are a leading cause of vacant residential building fires; and

WHEREAS, according to the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, there have been an average of 550 reported incendiary/arson fires per year at properties reported as abandoned, vacant-secured and vacant-unsecured, uninhabited, idle, not routinely used and being demolished; and

WHEREAS, according to the National Fire Protection Association reports, fires in vacant buildings are more likely to have been intentionally set and spread beyond the building than fire in other structures and they also cause a disproportionate share of firefighter injuries; and

WHEREAS, Arson Awareness Week is an opportunity to focus on the importance of a cooperative effort with fire and emergency services departments, law enforcement, public works, insurance companies and the justice system to help prevent the crime of arson at vacant and abandoned buildings;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BRIAN SANDOVAL, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, do hereby proclaim the week of May 6 - 12, 2018 as

ARSON AWARENESS 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 17th day of April, 2018.

By the Governor: _____ Governor

Barbara K. Segaste
Secretary of State

By *Scott W. Coulter*
Deputy