



A Proclamation by the Governor

WHEREAS, student-related housing fires throughout the country account for at least 172 deaths since January 2000, and approximately 87 percent of these deaths have occurred in off-campus occupancies; and

WHEREAS, a number of fatal fires have occurred in buildings where the fire safety systems have been compromised or disabled by the occupants; and

WHEREAS, it is recognized that automatic fire alarm systems and smoke alarms provide the necessary early warning to occupants and the fire department of a fire so that appropriate action can be taken, and automatic fire sprinkler systems are a highly effective method of controlling or extinguishing a fire in its early stages and protecting the lives of the building's occupants; and

WHEREAS, fire safety education is an effective method of reducing the occurrence of fires and reducing the resulting loss of life and property damage; and

WHEREAS, it is important to educate students of all ages about the importance of fire safety behavior so these behaviors can help to ensure their safety during their college years and beyond; and

WHEREAS, by developing a generation of fire-safe adults, future loss of life from fires can be significantly reduced and the month of September is an opportunity to encourage schools and communities to provide educational programs and evaluate the level of fire safety being provided in both on- and off-campus student housing in order to promote fire-safe living environments through fire safety education, installation of fire suppression and detection systems and smoke alarms;

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

CAMPUS FIRE SAFETY 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 14th day of September, 2017.

By the Governor:

Governor

Barbara K. Segarske
Secretary of State

By

Deputy