## **PROCLAMATION**

## Nevada Wildfire Awareness Month

WHEREAS, The Commissioners of Washoe County are charged with protecting the health and safety of the Citizens of Washoe County, including all property therein; and

WHEREAS, Wildfire threatens the environmental, economic, and social well-being of the citizens of Washoe County; and

Whereas, Residents must be encouraged to move from the expectation of being protected from wildfire to the understanding that they must be prepared to survive wildfire; and

WHEREAS, Residents of Washoe County have the responsibility to recognize the high risk of wildfire and institute safe and early evacuation plans, increase their homes resistance to wildfire, and create adapted communities to increase the safety and survivability of the public and emergency personnel; now, therefore, be it

**PROCLAIMED,** That the Washoe County Board of Commissioners supports the Month of May 2015 as Nevada Wildfire Awareness Month and this year's theme "Improve Your Odds – Prepare For Wildfire" as a means for education and a call to action to the residents of Washoe County to take action to reduce the wildfire threat to their homes and communities.

ADOPTED this 21st day of April, 2015.

Marsha Berkbigler, Chair Washoe County Commission

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