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PROCLAMATION

Aaron D. "Farmer" Treadway Day July 04, 2009

WHEREAS, Aaron D. "Farmer" Treadway, one of the first pioneers in Carson City, was born in Middletown, Connecticut on February 28, 1815; he apprenticed at the age of 16 as a brick mason; at the age of 20 he moved to Georgia, then on to Illinois where he became the First Lieutenant of Company 1, Fifth Illinois Regiment and fought in the Mexican War; and

WHEREAS, after his discharge from the Military Mr. Treadway became a "49er" and headed for California, where he first stayed at Sutter's Mill and Sacramento then in 1859 moved to Carson City; and

WHEREAS, Carson City records show Mr Treadway owned 300 acres about 3 miles west of Carson City and farmed primarily pear, apple and plum trees and in 1866 made part of the land a park, known as Treadway Park; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Treadway planted a number of cottonwood trees on his property and in Treadway Park, which is the oldest park as it exists and some of the cottonwood trees still stand; and

WHEREAS, Treadway Park was available to the public and in 1898 was the location of Camp Clark during the Spanish-American War, however only about an acre of the park still exists today; and

WHEREAS, through Mr. Treadway's kindness and generosity he has left a tremendous legacy to Carson City.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Robert L. Crowell, Mayor of Carson City, Nevada, on behalf of the Board of Supervisors do hereby proclaim July 4, 2009 as

AARON D. "FARMER" TREADWAY DAY and recognize Aaron Treadway for his contributions to Carson City.

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Dated this 4th day of July, 2009

Robert L. Crowell, Mayor