

PROCLAMATION

Walk to School Day October 9, 2013

WHEREAS, hundreds of children could be saved each year if communities take steps to making pedestrian safety a priority; and

WHEREAS, a lack of physical activity plays a leading role in rising rates of obesity, diabetes and other health problems among children. Being able to walk and/or ride a bicycle to school offers an opportunity to build activity into daily routine; and

WHEREAS, driving students to school by private vehicle contributes to traffic congestion and air pollution; and

WHEREAS, an important role for parents and caregivers is to teach children about pedestrian safety and become aware of the difficulties and dangers that children face on their trip to school each day, as well as the health and environmental risks related to physical inactivity and air pollution; and

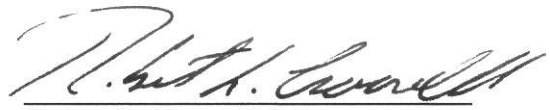
WHEREAS, community members and leaders should be encouraged to make a plan to enable children to safely walk and/or ride a bicycle in our community and develop a list of suggestions for improvements that can be done over time; and

WHEREAS, children, parents and community leaders around the world are joining together to walk to school and evaluate walking and biking conditions in their communities.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Robert L. Crowell, Mayor of Carson City, Nevada do hereby proclaim Wednesday, October 9, 2013, "**Walk to School Day**" in Carson City, Nevada and encourage everyone to consider the safety and health of children today and every day.



Dated this 3rd day of October 2013.


Robert L. Crowell, Mayor