

PROCLAMATION

National Donate Life Month April 2010

WHEREAS, organ, tissue, marrow, and blood donation are life-giving acts recognized worldwide as expressions of compassion to those in need; and

WHEREAS, more than 100,000 individuals nationwide are currently on the national organ transplant waiting list and every 90 minutes one person dies while waiting due to the shortage of donated organs; and

WHEREAS, at any given time 6,000 patients are in need of volunteer marrow donors; and

WHEREAS, a single individual's donation of the heart, lungs, liver, kidneys, pancreas and small intestine can save up to eight lives; donation of tissue can save and heal the lives of up to 50 others; and a single blood donation can help three people in need; and

WHEREAS, millions of lives each year are saved and healed by donors of organs, tissue, marrow, and blood without the donors age or medical condition limiting their ability to give; and

WHEREAS, talking to your family will help to ensure your wish to be an organ and tissue donor is honored; and

WHEREAS, Transplant Network is working to raise awareness in Nevada as awareness is the key to saving lives; and

WHEREAS, on May 16th at the Sparks Marina, the 3rd Annual Donate Life Walk will be held to educate the public on the tremendous need for organ, tissue, marrow and blood donation while honoring donors and donor families.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Robert L. Crowell, Mayor of Carson City, Nevada, do hereby proclaim April as **National Donate Life Month** in Carson City, and in doing so we encourage all Nevadan's to register to be a donor with the Department of Motor Vehicles.



Dated this 15th Day of April 2010.

Robert L. Crowell, Mayor