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## **PROCLAMATION**

## National Methamphetamine Awareness Day November 30, 2006

WHEREAS, methamphetamine (meth) use and distribution is growing in epidemic proportions in Carson City, and is a highly addictive, synthetic stimulant made from a mixture of easily acquired chemicals; and

WHEREAS, in one way or another, the methamphetamine epidemic has a direct impact on every resident of this community; increased costs associated with drug use, addiction, chemical clean up, increased work for law enforcement and social services, overcrowded jails, increased domestic violence and physical abuse, shattered marriages, lost jobs, and devastated and neglected children; and

WHEREAS, Carson City has formed a grass roots, community-wide coalition, *Partnership Carson City*, to fight the use and abuse of methamphetamines, and is sponsoring numerous educational presentations throughout the community to increase methamphetamine awareness; and

WHEREAS; solving the methamphetamine epidemic, and breaking the cycle of addiction in general, requires strong support for community awareness, but as critical is education and prevention, treatment and rehabilitation, enforcement and changes in public policy; and

WHEREAS, this special day provides another opportunity to further raise community awareness and support for prevention, treatment and enforcement; and

WHEREAS, the Office of National Drug Control Policy, the Department of Justice, and the Department of Health and Human Resources will conduct a series of events throughout the United States to highlight the threat of methamphetamine, its destructive impact on America's families and communities and recent progress made at the federal, state and local levels.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Marv Teixeira, Mayor of Carson City, Nevada, do hereby proclaim November 30, 2006 as "National Methamphetamine Awareness Day" in Carson City and encourage all citizens to celebrate recovery and show their strong support for the efforts of Partnership Carson City.



Dated this 16th day of November 2006.

Mary Teixeira, Mayor