A Proclamation by the Governor

WHEREAS, healthy kidneys are essential for regulating our bodies by removing fluids, waste, and toxins as kidneys release hormones to help regulate blood pressure, produce red blood cells, and strengthen our bones; and,

WHEREAS, 1 in 10 Americans will have kidney stones at some point in their life and each year 500,000 people will go to the emergency room because of kidney stones; and

WHEREAS, kidney disease is the 9th leading cause of death in the United States, and it is estimated that more than 1 in 7 Americans have chronic kidney disease; and

WHEREAS, the American Cancer Society estimates there will be 76,080 new cases of kidney cancer in the United States in 2021, resulting in an estimated 13,780 deaths; and

WHEREAS, it is estimated 640 men and women in Nevada will be diagnosed with kidney cancer this year and it is estimated 120 Nevadans will die from this disease; and

WHEREAS, Kidney Health Month raises awareness and encourages all men and women to improve their chances of keeping healthy kidneys by eating well, drinking plenty of fluids, not smoking, and to communicate with their doctor about kidney health.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, STEVE SISOLAK, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, do hereby proclaim March 2021 as

KIDNEY HEALTH MONTH

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Nevada to be affixed at the State Capitol in Carson City, this 25th day of February 2021.

By the Governor:

By the Secretary of State: