



## *A Proclamation by the Governor*

**WHEREAS**, Stevens Johnson Syndrome and Toxic Epidermal Necrolysis another form of SJS - are severe adverse reactions to medication; and

**WHEREAS**, almost any medication, including over the counter drugs, can cause SJS; and

**WHEREAS**, SJS affects people of all ages and a large amount of its victims are children; and

**WHEREAS**, according to the New England Journal of Medicine, over 2 million Americans fall ill and are hospitalized every year from taking these recommended drugs. Of that 2 million that are admitted, over 140,000 are never released; and

**WHEREAS**, recognizing the early symptoms of SJS and prompt medical attention are the most invaluable tools in minimizing the possible long-term effects SJS may have on its victims; and

**WHEREAS**, the health and safety of our citizens is of utmost importance and the State of Nevada is committed to raising awareness and supporting all efforts to minimize the effects of life-threatening diseases such as Stevens Johnson Syndrome;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, BRIAN SANDOVAL, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, do hereby proclaim August 2011, as**

**STEVENS JOHNSON SYNDROME AWARENESS MONTH IN NEVADA**



*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 16th day of June 2011.

By the Governor: \_\_\_\_\_ Governor

By Cass Miller Secretary of State

By \_\_\_\_\_ Deputy