

A Proclamation by the Governor

WHEREAS, according to the U.S. National Institutes of Health, more than 6.5 million people currently live with chronic wounds, and rising incidence of chronic wounds is fueled by an aging population and increasing rates of diseases and conditions such as diabetes, obesity and the late effects of radiation therapy; and

WHEREAS, untreated chronic wounds can lead to diminished quality of life and possible amputation of the affected limb, and according to Healogics, the chronic wound epidemic represents a cost of more than \$50 billion to the healthcare system; and

WHEREAS, more than 30.3 million people have diabetes in the United States and more than a million of those people will develop a diabetic foot ulcer or other non-healing wound; and

WHEREAS, advanced wound care physicians and healthcare providers take great pride in caring for their patients, and advanced wound care aims to prevent amputations and heal patients in a faster and more cost-effective way; and

WHEREAS, awareness and education about chronic wounds will benefit current and future chronic wound patients, and Would Care Awareness Week provides an opportunity to inform patients, their families, community physicians and the public about the importance of advanced wound care and its ability to save lives and limbs;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, STEVE SISOLAK, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, do hereby proclaim the week of June 3 – 7, 2019, as

WOUND CARE AWARENESS WEEK 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 3 Sb day of May
By the Governor: Governor
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Secretary of State
By