

WHEREAS, native Nevadan Grant Korgan, an avid snowmobiler, skier, kayaker, adventurer, and nanomechanics professional, is an inspiration to us all; and

WHEREAS, after a tragic snowmobile accident, Grant was left with no movement below his waist; and

WHEREAS, with the loving support of his dedicated wife Shawna, Grant undertook an extensive rehabilitation and recovery effort to live the life he had always imagined; and

WHEREAS, in one year, with the ultimate in determination and perseverance, Grant graduated from a wheelchair to walking with the help of two arm crutches, and with help from the High Five Foundation, began to train for a remarkable journey; and

WHEREAS, two winters after being paralyzed from the waist down, Grant Korgan became the first athlete to reach the South Pole on January 17, 2012; and

WHEREAS, Grant Korgan embodies all that is great in the human spirit.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GENO R. MARTINI, Mayor of the City of Sparks, Nevada, do hereby proclaim April 9, 2012

GRANT KORGAN DAY "I am strong, I am healthy, I am healed."

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Sparks, Nevada to be affixed this 2nd day of April, 2012.

GENO R. MARTINI, Mayor

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ATTEST:

LINDA K. PATTERSON, City Clerk