



Proclamation

WHEREAS, Crisis Call Center's Sexual Assault Support Services, Nevada Coalition Against Sexual Violence and Scrap Domestic Violence publicly take a stand against rape; and

WHEREAS, Crisis Call Center's Sexual Assault Support Services, Nevada Coalition Against Sexual Violence and Scrap Domestic Violence partnered to promote 2013 Denim Day in Nevada; and

WHEREAS, The City of Sparks supports Crisis Call Center's Sexual Assault Support Services, Nevada Coalition Against Sexual Violence, Scrap Domestic Violence and the global anti-sexual violence movement in the 14th year of wearing and displaying denim as a symbol of protest against victim blaming. This act is in response to an Italian High Court Decision to overturn a rape conviction because the victim was wearing tight denim jeans; and

WHEREAS, Many Nevadans dedicate their lives to sexual violence prevention and education efforts to challenge the societal myths and behaviors that perpetuate rape; and Nevadans vow to create a safer environment for all residents and visitors of our cities and towns; and

WHEREAS, Crisis Call Center's Sexual Assault Support Services, Nevada Coalition Against Sexual Violence and Scrap Domestic Violence call upon Nevadans to engage in the common goal of ending sexual assault and violence; and

WHEREAS, The City of Sparks, Nevada Coalition Against Sexual Violence and Scrap Domestic Violence declare there is no excuse and never an invitation to rape.

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

**"SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS MONTH & APRIL 24th 2013
AS DENIM DAY IN NEVADA!"**

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Sparks, Nevada to be affixed this 21st day of March, 2013.



GENO R. MARTINI, Mayor

ATTEST:



TERESA GARDNER, City Clerk

