

WHEREAS, access to justice is a fundamental and essential right in a democratic society; and

WHEREAS, many people cannot afford the high cost of legal representation and cannot proceed on their own without an attorney; and

WHEREAS, legal services agencies, the State Bar of Nevada, and local bar associations throughout Nevada have enlisted the services of volunteer attorneys to provide valuable legal services to those in need; and

WHEREAS, in Nevada, volunteer attorneys donate thousands of hours of pro bono time each year; and

WHEREAS, the innumerable contributions of volunteer attorneys enable many people to receive legal assistance they could not otherwise obtain.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GENO R. MARTINI, Mayor of the City of Sparks, Nevada, do hereby proclaim October 20-26, 2013 as:

"NATIONAL PRO BONO WEEK"

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Sparks, Nevada to be affixed this 5th day of September, 2013.

GENO R. MARTINI. Mayor

ATTEST:

TERESA GARDNER, City Clerk

