



Proclamation

WHEREAS, Pay it Forward promotes community spirit through intentional acts of kindness; and

WHEREAS, the Pay It Forward novel, written by Catherin Ryan Hyde in 2000, has inspired the creation of a movie (made in Nevada), a non-profit foundation, and a movement that has inspired thousands of good deeds all over the world; and

WHEREAS, in 2015, Pay It Forward was an international effort supported by more than 76 nations, 42 U.S. States and 48 U.S. cities; and

WHEREAS, Sparks resident Tristin Hurley, a 15-year old student at Shaw Middle School was born with a genetic disorder, Osteogenesis Imperfecta which is characterized by brittle bones that confined him to a wheelchair; and

WHEREAS, despite Tristin's disability, he brought great joy to his parents, family, and countless friends. He was full of life and did not allow his genetic disorder to slow him down, or prevent him from providing his love and compassion to everyone he met; and

WHEREAS, Tristin inspired children and adults to live their life to their fullest despite any obstacles or challenges that lie in the way; and

WHEREAS, Tristin departed on Sunday, March 6, 2016, leaving the world a better place. He brought positive change in our community and beyond; and

WHEREAS, the Pay It Forward movement exemplifies the human spirit such as Tristin displayed during his short life. We can make a difference in our community and the world, one good deed at a time.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GENO R. MARTINI, NOW, THEREFORE, I, Geno R. Martini, Mayor of the city of Sparks, Nevada do hereby proclaim Thursday, April 28, 2016 as:

"PAY IT FORWARD DAY IN HONOR OF TRISTIN HURLEY"

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Sparks, Nevada to be affixed this 6th day of April, 2016.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Geno R. Martini".

GENO R. MARTINI, Mayor

ATTEST:

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Teresa Gardner".

TERESA GARDNER, City Clerk

