



Proclamation

WHEREAS, Fifth generation Nevadan and Sparks resident Raymond Hagar, graduated from the University of Nevada, Reno in 1975 with a degree in journalism; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hagar began his career as a sports reporter and education reporter with the Record-Courier in Gardnerville and the Sparks Tribune; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hagar joined the Reno Gazette-Journal as a full time sports writer in 1977; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hagar served as a reporter and columnist for the El Paso Times from 1987 to 1993 before returning to the RGJ as a sports editor; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hagar was named Carson-Douglas Bureau chief at the RGJ in 2000 and covered the Nevada Legislature in 2002. He also covered the Washoe County School District and the gaming industry during his tenure at the RGJ; and

WHEREAS, In addition to the traditional news beats that Mr. Hagar reported on, he also wrote and reported on a variety of other news and critical items which served to keep residents of Sparks and throughout the state of Nevada informed; and

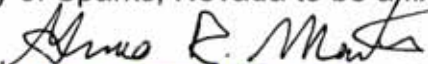
WHEREAS, Mr. Hagar hails from a distinguished family who settled and helped to shape the Carson Valley. Mr. Hagar's dad, Raymond Senior, was a decorated war hero earning the Distinguished Flying Cross and two Purple Hearts in World War II and the Korean Conflict; and

WHEREAS, Ray Hagar has been an outstanding journalist who has served our City and state in a professional and dedicated manner, while upholding the highest journalistic standards and integrity. We appreciate his service and commitment to Sparks.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GENO R. MARTINI, Mayor of the City of Sparks, Nevada, do hereby proclaim November 23, 2015 as:


"RAY HAGAR DAY"

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Sparks, Nevada to be affixed this 23rd day of November, 2015.



GENO R. MARTINI, Mayor

ATTEST:



TERESA GARDNER, City Clerk

