

City of
Sparks
Proclamation

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WHEREAS, Alpha 1 Antitrypsin Deficiency (Alpha-1) is one of the most common serious hereditary disorders in the world and can result in life-threatening lung disease in adults and liver disease in both children and adults; and

WHEREAS, Alpha-1 has been identified in virtually all populations, and individuals who carry a single deficient gene may pass the gene on to their children; and

WHEREAS, Alpha-1 is widely under-diagnosed and misdiagnosed and fewer than 10 percent of those predicted to have Alpha-1 have been accurately diagnosed and it often takes an average of five doctors and seven years from the time symptoms first appear before proper diagnosis is made, which can be detected by a simple blood test; and

WHEREAS, is it important to increase awareness and detection of this serious hereditary and misdiagnosed disorder; and

WHEREAS, during the month of November, a nationwide awareness campaign will take place throughout the country to educate the public as well as the medical community on Alpha-1 detection and treatment for those affected by this condition.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GENO R. MARTINI, Mayor of the City of Sparks, Nevada, do hereby proclaim November 2017 as:

“ALPHA-1 AWARENESS MONTH”

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Sparks, Nevada to be affixed this 12TH day of September, 2017.



GENO R. MARTINI, Mayor

ATTEST:



TERESA GARDNER, City Clerk

