

Proclamation

WHEREAS, the wonder of flight is never as magical as when seen through the eyes of a child; and

WHEREAS, the Reno Air Racing Foundation was established in 2004 as a way of introducing youth to the fascinating world of aviation while highlighting the role of air racing in shaping the industry; and

WHEREAS, Pathways to Aviation, as part of the Reno Air Racing Foundation, was launched in 2008 as a speaker series to bring instruction and programs highlighting and advancing aviation to our youth and community; and

WHEREAS, the Reno Air Racing Foundation is pleased to announce that Mark N. Sirangelo, Corporate Vice President of Sierra Nevada Corporation (SNC) and Chairman of SNC Space Systems and Paul McFarlane, Lead Flight Director for the Challenger Learning Center of Northern Nevada will present at the April 17, 2013 Pathways to Aviation Educational Program; and

WHEREAS, through partnerships with the University of Nevada, Reno, Reno-Tahoe Airport Authority, Challenger Learning Center of Northern Nevada and Sierra Nevada Corporation, the Pathways to Aviation Program seeks to inspire local youth through aviation and aerospace educational activities, grants and scholarships to pursue educational studies in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics; and

WHEREAS, the City of Sparks recognizes the important contributions of the Reno Air Racing Foundation and its Pathways to Aviation Program and I encourage residents to recognize the positive impact in our city when our youth are encouraged to reach for the stars.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GENO R. MARTINI, Mayor of the City of Sparks, Nevada, do hereby proclaim Wednesday, April 17, 2013 as:

"Pathways to Aviation Day"

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