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Proclamation

WHEREAS, the City of Sparks recognizes that one out of 20 children will experience the death of a parent before they graduate from high school, while one out of every seven children will face the death of someone close to them; and

WHEREAS, Many people don't realize it takes most children much longer to deal with their grief than we expect and that the amount of inner turmoil, invisible to most, is much more intense than we have any idea of; and

WHEREAS, even if there aren't any outward signs of inner turmoil, those storms can still be raging inside a grieving child's heart; and

WHEREAS, the Solace Tree believes that all children, teens and their family members should have the freedom to express their feelings associated with death in a safe and loving environment; and

WHEREAS, the City of Sparks and the Solace Tree want to help people learn ways they might help a grieving child they happen to know - now or in the future.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GENO R. MARTINI, Mayor of the City of Sparks, Nevada, do hereby proclaim November 20, 2014 as:

"CHILD & TEEN GRIEF AWARENESS DAY"

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Sparks, Nevada to be affixed this 24th day of October, 2014.

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

GENO R. MARTINI, Mayor

ATTEST:

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Donna DiCarlo for".
TERESA GARDNER, City Clerk