

City of Sparks

Proclamation

WHEREAS, nearly 600 individuals in Nevada are currently on the national organ transplant waiting list, and 22 patients die each day due to the shortage of donated organs; and

WHEREAS, Donor Network West has served as the federally designated Organ Procurement Organization in northern Nevada since 1987 and works in partnership with families, doctors, nurses, and coroners in northern Nevada hospitals to connect donors to recipients; and

WHEREAS, organ and tissue donations are life-giving acts recognized worldwide as expressions of compassion to those in need that save thousands of lives each year; and

WHEREAS, a single individual's donation of the heart, lungs, liver, kidneys, pancreas, and small intestine can save up to eight lives; donation of tissue can save and heal the lives of up to 75 others; and

WHEREAS, the spirit of giving and decision to donate are not restricted by age or medical condition, and over 1 million Nevadans have signed up with the state-authorized Nevada Donor Registry to ensure their wishes to be organ and tissue donors are honored; and

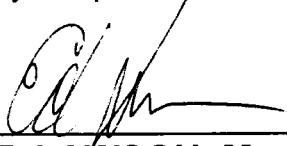
WHEREAS, Nevada residents can sign up with the Nevada Donor Registry when applying for or renewing their driver's licenses or ID cards at the Nevada Department of Motor Vehicles.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ED LAWSON, Mayor of the City of Sparks, Nevada, do hereby proclaim April 2021 as:

"NATIONAL DONATE LIFE MONTH"

in the City of Sparks, and we encourage all Nevadans to check "YES!" when applying for or renewing their driver's license or I.D. card, or by signing up at www.donornetworkwest.org.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Sparks, Nevada to be affixed this 22nd day of March 2021.



ED LAWSON, Mayor

ATTEST:



LISA HUNDERMAN, City Clerk

