



## Proclamation

**WHEREAS**, October 18<sup>th</sup> is celebrated worldwide as Conflict Resolution Day; and

**WHEREAS**, the purpose of Conflict Resolution Day is to:

1. Promote awareness of mediation, arbitration, conciliation and other creative, peaceful means of resolving conflict;
2. Promote the use of conflict resolution in schools, families, businesses, communities, governments and the legal system;
3. Recognize the significant contributions of (peaceful) conflict resolvers; and
4. Obtain national synergy by having celebrations happen across the country and around the world on the same day;

**WHEREAS**, the Nevada Dispute Resolution Coalition is a non-profit whose mission is to promote public awareness of processes that encourage collaborative solutions;

**WHEREAS**, the resolution of disputes can be extremely costly and time-consuming when advanced through litigation and formal court proceedings, and many persons desire alternatives to conflict;

**WHEREAS**, alternative dispute resolution offers an option for businesses, consumers, families, landlords and neighborhoods and others to resolve conflicts in an expeditious and cost-effective manner as well as in a manner that may preserve the relationship of the parties.

**WHEREAS**, alternative dispute resolution is an important asset to the citizens of Sparks;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, GENO R. MARTINI**, Mayor of the City of Sparks, Nevada, do hereby proclaim October 18, 2012 as

**"CONFLICT RESOLUTION DAY"**

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Sparks, Nevada to be affixed this 8<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2012.

  
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GENO R. MARTINI, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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LINDA K. PATTERSON, City Clerk

