

A Proclamation by the Governor

WHEREAS, 2014 is the "Year of the Veteran" in Nevada; and

WHEREAS, Nevada entered the Union during the Civil War and henceforth was called "Battle Born"; and

WHEREAS, military service members from Nevada have continued to serve with courage and honor whenever and wherever they are called to duty; and

WHEREAS, 2014 marks Nevada's 150th year of statehood; and

WHEREAS, the Nevada 150 Commission designated the Western Nevada College nationally touring arts and humanities exhibition, "Always Lost: A Meditation on War," as an Official Sesquicentennial Exhibit; and

WHEREAS, "Always Lost" honors those who made the ultimate sacrifice in Iraq and Afghanistan and in doing so, serves as a poignant memorial that brings home the individual and collective costs of all wars; and

WHEREAS, "Always Lost" contains original literary work by Nevada writers; the 2004 Pulitzer Prize collection of Iraq War combat photographs, courtesy of The Dallas Morning News; and the Wall of the Dead, faces and names of U.S. military personnel who perished as a result of their service in Iraq and Afghanistan since September 11, 2001; and

WHEREAS, the Nevada Department of Veterans Services is sponsoring a two-year Nevada Sesquicentennial Tour of "Always Lost: A Meditation on War"; and

WHEREAS, "Always Lost" provides a sacred and public space not only to reflect upon the costs of war, but also to contemplate our responsibilities as a civilized society to those who serve in harm's way on our behalf; and

WHEREAS, since 2010 "Always Lost" has been bringing its message of awareness and unity from the great Battle Born state of Nevada to communities across the United States;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BRIAN SANDOVAL, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, do hereby proclaim November 11, 2014, as a day in honor of

"ALWAYS LOST: A MEDITATION ON WAR"



Secretary of State

By

Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Nevada to be affixed at the State Capitol in Carson City, this 3 day of Movember, 2014.

Governor

Secretary of State

Deputy