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# PROCLAMATION

## **"Secret Witness Day"** **June 11, 2009**

WHEREAS, Secret Witness was created in 1979 to provide an opportunity for citizens who wanted to provide information on a crime anonymously; and

WHEREAS, vital information on crimes may fail to reach the police because of fear of retaliation; and

WHEREAS, since its inception, Secret Witness has been a highly beneficial crime fighting organization, helping solve more than 420 crimes; and

WHEREAS, Secret Witness produced a thought provoking film "Crystal Darkness," to inform the community about the negative effects of methamphetamine; and

WHEREAS, Secret Witness serves Reno, Sparks, Carson City, and the surrounding communities of northern Nevada providing Sheriffs and police forces with important leads to solve crimes; and

WHEREAS, Secret Witness brings our community together to provide a safer environment for residents; and

WHEREAS, this is the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of this fine non-profit organization.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Robert L. Crowell, Mayor of Carson City, Nevada, on behalf of the Board of Supervisors do hereby proclaim June 11, 2009 as "Secret Witness Day" and urge all Citizens to unite in honoring this important organization and to anonymously report crimes to keep our community safe. Let us also take a moment to remember the victims of crimes and the law enforcement officers who put themselves daily in harm's way to keep us safe.



Dated this 4th day of June, 2009

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Robert L. Crowell, Mayor