Proclamation

World Elder Abuse Awareness Day June 15, 2022

WHEREAS, Older adults deserve to be treated with respect and dignity to enable them to serve as leaders, mentors, volunteers, and vital participating members of our communities; and

WHEREAS, in 2006, the International Network for the Prevention of Elder Abuse, in support of the United Nations International Plan of Action, proclaimed a day to recognize the significance of elder abuse as a public health and human rights issue; and

WHEREAS, 2022 marks the 17th Annual World Elder Abuse Awareness Day. Its recognition will promote a better understanding of abuse and neglect of older adults; and

WHEREAS, The National Center on Elder Abuse (NCEA) and Nevada Rural Counties RSVP Program, Inc. recognize the importance of taking action to raise awareness, prevent and address elder abuse; and

WHEREAS, ageism and social isolation are major causes of elder abuse in the United States. As our population lives longer, we are presented with an opportunity to think about our collective needs and future as a nation; and

WHEREAS, preventing abuse of older adults through maintaining and improving social supports like senior centers, human services and transportation will allow everyone to continue to live as independently as possible and contribute to the life and vibrancy of our communities; and

NOW THEREFORE, I, Lori Bagwell, Mayor of Carson City, Nevada, on behalf of the Board of Supervisors, do hereby proclaim June 15, 2022 as "World Elder Abuse Awareness Day" and encourage our community to recognize and celebrate older adults and their ongoing contributions to the success and vitality of our country. Dated this 2nd day of June 2022

Lori Bagwell, Mayor