## **PROCLAMATION**

WHEREAS, Service to others is a hallmark of the American character, and central to how we meet our challenges: and

WHEREAS, Participants in AmeriCorps and Senior Corps address the most pressing challenges facing our nation, from educating students for jobs of the 21<sup>st</sup> century and supporting veterans and military families to providing health services and helping communities recover from natural disasters; and

WHEREAS, AmeriCorps and Senior Corps participants serve in more than 60,000 locations across the country, including 84 locations in Washoe County, bolstering the civic, neighborhood, and faith-based organizations that are so vital to our County's economic and social well-being; and

WHEREAS, More than 1,200 national service participants of all ages and backgrounds serve in Washoe County, providing support to residents and improving our quality of life; and

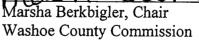
WHEREAS, National service participants demonstrate commitment, dedication, and patriotism by making an intensive commitment to service, a commitment that remains with them in their future endeavors; and

WHEREAS, The Corporation for National and Community Service shares a priority with county leaders nationwide to engage citizens, improve lives, and strengthen communities; and is ioining with the National Association of Counties (NACo) for the County Day of Recognition for National Service; now, therefore, be it

PROCLAIMED, By the Washoe County Board of Commissioners that May 19, 2015 is National Service Recognition Day, and the Board encourages residents to recognize the positive impact of national service and thank those who serve in Washoe County.

ADOPTED this 19<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2015.

Berkbigler, Chair



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