



WHEREAS, There are currently more than 43,000 people with Alzheimer's living in the state of Nevada, more than 6,000 of whom are in Washoe County, and additionally

another 18,000 caregivers in Washoe County who are caring for a loved one with

Alzheimer's; and

WHEREAS, The Longest Day and Alzheimer's and Brain Awareness Month strive to

provide information about the challenges faced by people with Alzheimer's, as

well as their caretakers; and

WHEREAS, The Alzheimer's Association's mission is to eliminate the disease through the

advancement of research; to provide and enhance care and support of all affected; and to reduce the risk of dementia through the promotion of brain

health; and

WHEREAS, The Alzheimer's Association is marking June as Alzheimer's and Brain

Awareness Month and Wednesday, June 21 as The Longest Day, and asking

residents of Washoe County to visit www.alz.org to learn more about Alzheimer's

disease and to get involved in the fight against Alzheimer's; and

WHEREAS, June is a time to wear purple for the millions of individuals world-wide and for

all the family members and caregivers locally affected by Alzheimer's disease;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Washoe County Board of Commissioners does hereby proclaim

June 2017 as

~Alzheimer's and Brain Awareness Month~

and June 21, 2017 as

~The Longest Day ~

and encourages all County residents to "wear purple" in honor of those struggling with this disease.

Dated this 20<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2017.

Bob Lucey, Chair

Washoe County Commission

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