April 11, 2000

State of Nevada Executive Department

A PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR:

Whereas, the Armenian-American Cultural Society of Las Vegas, together with various Armenian organizations and churches, will come together to commemorate the 85th anniversary of the Genocide of the Armenians by the Ottoman Turkish Empire; and

Whereas, each April, Armenian Americans, and people of good conscience pause to remember the 1.5 million victims of this crime against humanity; and

Whereas, this systematic and deliberate massacre of the Armenian people between 1915-1923 represents the first Genocide of the 20th Century; and

Whereas, this years' commemoration will take place April 30, 2000 at the Sahara West Library; and

Whereas, all Nevadans should continually rededicate themselves to the principle of equal justice for all;

Now, Therefore, I, Kenny C. Guinn, Governor of the State of Nevada, do hereby proclaim April 24, 2000 as A Day of Remembrance of "The First Genocide of the 20th Century"

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great of the Seal of the State of Nevada to be affixed at the State Capitol in Carson City, this 11th day of April 2000.

(SIGNED) Kenny C. Guinn By the Governor

(SIGNED) Dean Heller Secretary of State