

Proclamation

WHEREAS, the physically and mentally handicapped of the City of Las Vegas, Nevada, desire to lead full, productive lives; and

WHEREAS, many of the opportunities for education, training, and employment are denied the handicapped because of physical, psychological, and mythical barriers; and

WHEREAS, the Congress of the United States of America has designated the first full week of October of each year as National Employ the Physically Handicapped Week.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ORAN K. GRAGSON, Mayor of the City of Las Vegas, Nevada, do call upon the people of our city to observe the week beginning October 5, 1969, as

NATIONAL EMPLOY THE
PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED WEEK

I URGE all our citizens to take pride in the accomplishments and outstanding performance records of our handicapped fellow citizens.

I URGE all businessmen, clergy, school administrators, architects and contractors to open the doors of all public buildings to accommodate those who use wheelchairs and other severely handicapped citizens.

I ASK all employers to discover the facts about hiring handicapped workers and thereby overcome the persistent myths about insurance rates, workmen's compensation, and safety records which too often impede the qualified handicapped from obtaining employment.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Las Vegas, Nevada, to be affixed this sixth day of October, 1969.

ORAN K. GRAGSON, Mayor

ATTEST:

EDWINA M. COLE, City Clerk



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