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MEMORANDUM

To: Historic Resources Commission

From: Jennifer Pruitt, Principal Planner

Date: March 08, 2012

Subject: HRC-12-002,
Historic Preservation Month

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Since the National Trust for Historic Preservation created Preservation Week in 1971 to spotlight grassroots preservation efforts in America, it has grown into an annual celebration observed by small towns and big cities with events ranging from architectural and historic tours and award ceremonies, to fundraising events, educational programs and heritage travel opportunities. Due to its overwhelming popularity, in 2005, the National Trust for Historic Preservation extended the celebration to the entire month of May and declared it Preservation Month to provide an even longer opportunity to celebrate the diverse and unique heritage of our country's cities and states, and enable more Americans to become involved in the growing preservation movement.

By declaring National Preservation Month's theme as "Discover America's Hidden Gems" communities from coast to coast like Carson City, which are filled with historic treasures, will be celebrating—and May's the month to honor them. The National Trust for Historic Preservation has encouraged communities to reach out to our growing audience of neighbors, tourists, students and preservationists by promoting historic places in our community, and encourage newcomers to learn more about Carson City's local preservation efforts.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: It is recommended that the Historic Resources Commission "Move to recommend the Board of Supervisors proclaim the month of May as National Preservation Month".

PROCLAMATION

“Historic Preservation Month” May 01, 2012 through May 31, 2012

WHEREAS, historic preservation is an effective tool for managing growth and sustainable development, revitalizing neighborhoods, fostering local pride and maintaining community character while enhancing livability; and

WHEREAS, historic preservation is relevant for communities across the nation, both urban and rural, and for Americans of all ages, all walks of life and all ethnic backgrounds; and

WHEREAS, it is important to celebrate the role of history in our lives and the contributions made by dedicated individuals in helping to preserve the tangible aspects of the heritage that has shaped us as a people; and

WHEREAS, "Discover America's Hidden Gems" is the theme for National Preservation Month 2012, cosponsored by the Carson City Historic Resources Commission and the National Trust for Historic Preservation

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Robert L. Crowell, Mayor of Carson City, Nevada, do proclaim May 2012 as National Preservation Month, and call upon the people of Carson City to join their fellow citizens across the United States in recognizing and participating in this special observance.

Dated this May 02, 2012

Robert L. Crowell, Mayor

