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2009 Nevada Wildfire Awareness Week  
Nevada Division of Forestry  
Carson City, Nevada

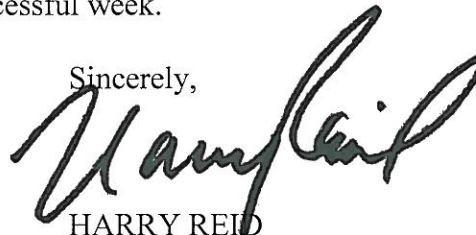
Dear Friends:

I am pleased to extend my best wishes as you gather for the fourth annual Nevada Wildfire Awareness Week. I would also like to thank the Nevada Division of Forestry, the University of Nevada Cooperative Extension, and the other dedicated agencies, organizations and individuals for their hard work in putting together this week's events.

As you know, millions of acres have burned in Nevada during recent years. Because of our arid climate, all it takes to start a wildfire is lightning, human error, or neglect. That makes preventing and fighting these wildfires a year-round job. It is imperative for each of us to focus on what we can do as land managers, ranchers, land owners, Nevadans, and in my case, elected officials to prevent, fight, and properly manage wildfires.

We all share a responsibility to help reduce the threat of wildfires. By working together, we can help minimize the effects these fires have on our great state. I applaud your efforts and wish you a successful week.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Harry Reid", written in a cursive style.

HARRY REID  
United States Senator

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