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SECRETARY JOHNSON TO VISIT BLACK HILLS FOR NVR DAY

PIERRE – Secretary of State Monae L. Johnson will be in Sturgis, Spearfish, and Rapid City on Tuesday, September 19, 2023, to raise awareness for National Voter Registration Day. Secretary Johnson will begin the day at Sturgis Brown High School, where she will be joined by the Meade County Auditor's Office and SBHS staff to register students to vote.

Secretary Johnson will then travel to Spearfish to register college voters in the Yellow Jacket Student Union at Black Hills State University, where she'll be joined by members of the BHSU Administration and the Lawrence County Auditor's office. Secretary Johnson and the Lawrence County Auditor's Office staff will also stop by Spearfish High School to register students to vote.

Secretary Johnson will complete her National Voter Registration Day tour in Rapid City with South Dakota School of Mines & Technology, at the Surbeck Center. The Pennington County Auditor's Office will also be in attendance, along with staff from SD Mines.

"South Dakota has a proud history of civic engagement, reflected by our current count of over 610,000 registered voters." Secretary Johnson continued, "I urge every eligible South Dakota resident who hasn't registered to do so. Your voice matters, make it count where it matters most by registering to vote or updating your existing registration today."

Secretary Johnson is a former Rapid City resident serving her first term as Secretary of State. Prior to being elected, Secretary Johnson accrued 8 years of experience in the South Dakota Secretary of State office, having served under Secretary Chris Nelson from 2003 to 2007, and from 2015 to 2019 under Secretary Shantel Krebs.