

*Executive Proclamation*  
*State of South Dakota*  
*Office of the Governor*

*Whereas*, Sergeant First Class Darin A. Sween's dedication to service has made him a valuable asset to this state and country; and,

*Whereas*, We have very few occasions to recognize these patriotic individuals for their service to this state and country; and,

*Whereas*, Sergeant First Class Sween has devoted 25 years of his life to the service of this state and country in the Engineering Corps and Transportation Corps, including his deployment with the 740th Transportation Company to Kuwait in support of Iraq during Operation Iraqi Freedom; and,

*Whereas*, His loyalty and leadership have made him a cornerstone in the Armed Forces of this country; and,

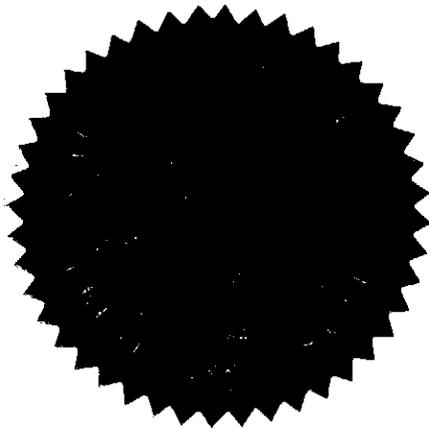
*Whereas*, Sergeant First Class Sween continues to give of himself; and,

*Whereas*, It is fitting and proper as Governor to commend Staff Sergeant First Class Darin A. Sween for 25 years of dedicated and outstanding service to this state and country:

*Now, Therefore, I, Dennis Daugaard*, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim March 8, 2012, as

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DARIN A. SWEEN DAY**

in South Dakota, and I join with his family and friends in wishing him well in his retirement and thanking him for his service to the state of South Dakota and to the United States.



*In Witness Whereof*, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-first Day of February in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Twelve.

*Dennis Daugaard*

Dennis Daugaard, Governor

Attest:

*Jason M. Gant*  
Jason M. Gant, Secretary of State