

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

*Whereas*, The state of South Dakota is the home of Bonnie Fitzgibbons, and we are richer because Bonnie lives among us; and,

*Whereas*, Birthdays commemorate the first day of our lives, and we celebrate the birthdays of those we love, as we recognize the joys and sorrows we have shared, the strength we have gained from the obstacles and hardships we have conquered, and the small daily pleasures life offers; and,

*Whereas*, Bonnie was born to Edward and Rose Ryan at Sioux Falls, South Dakota, on July 7, 1927; and,

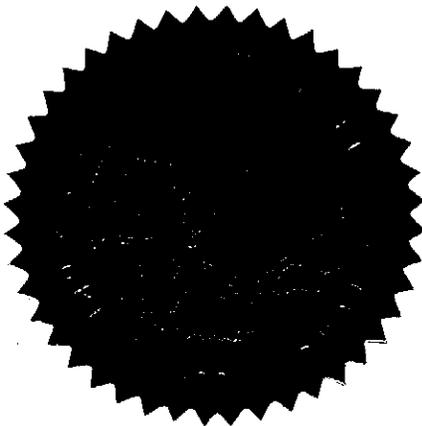
*Whereas*, Bonnie married J.W. Fitzgibbons and to this union they had seven children; and,

*Whereas*, Bonnie will observe her 85<sup>th</sup> Birthday with all the good wishes, fanfare, and celebration such a milestone warrants, as her family and friends honor her and celebrate her life; and it is fitting and proper for the Governor to make note of this milestone in the life of a woman who has lived an exemplary life for all to emulate:

*Now, Therefore, I, Dennis Daugaard*, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim July 7, 2012, as

***BONNIE FITZGIBBONS DAY***

in South Dakota, and I join her family and friends in wishing her a very happy birthday, good health, and great happiness.



*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-second Day of June in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Twelve.

*Dennis Daugaard*  
Dennis Daugaard, Governor

**Attest:**

*Judy A. Larson, Exec. Asst.*  
Jason M. Gant, Secretary of State