

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

*Whereas*, Staff Sergeant Jason D. Lunders' 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*, Staff Sergeant Lunders has devoted over 23 years of his life to the service of this state and country as a cannoneer, food operations sergeant, and multiple launch rocket system section chief, including service in Iraq and a state activation in support of the 2011 flood operation; and,

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

*Whereas*, Staff Sergeant Lunders continues to give of himself; and,

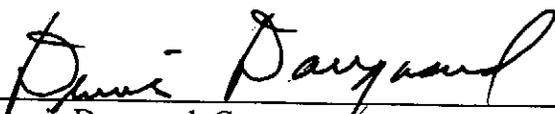
*Whereas*, It is fitting and proper as Governor to commend Staff Sergeant Jason D. Lunders for over 23 years of dedicated and outstanding service to this state and country:

*Now, Therefore, I, Dennis Daugaard*, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim July 30, 2012, as

***STAFF SERGEANT JASON D. LUNDERS 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 of America.

*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 Ninth Day of July in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Twelve.

  
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Dennis Daugaard, Governor

Attest:

  
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Jason M. Gant, Secretary of State

