

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

*Whereas*, First Sergeant Larry J. Perry'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*, First Sergeant Perry has devoted over 24 years of his life to the service of this state and country as a leader in operations, maintenance, and signal field, including a deployment to Afghanistan, and many state activations for the South Dakota Army National Guard; and,

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

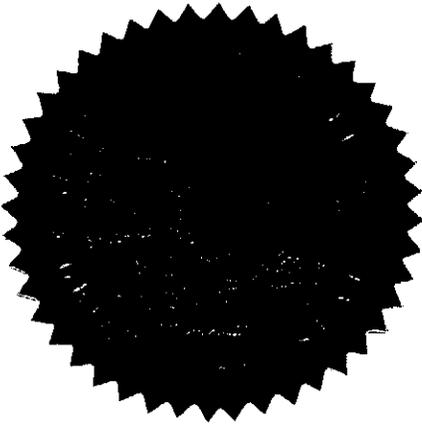
*Whereas*, First Sergeant Perry continues to give of himself; and,

*Whereas*, It is fitting and proper as Governor to commend First Sergeant Larry J. Perry for over 24 years of dedicated outstanding service to this country and state:

*Now, Therefore, I, Dennis Daugaard*, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim September 16, 2012, as

***FIRST SERGEANT LARRY J. PERRY 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 Seventh day of August in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Twelve.

*Dennis Daugaard*  
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Dennis Daugaard, Governor

Attest:

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