

Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office of the Governor

Whereas, Nick's Hamburger Shop is an iconic Brookings dining establishment which opened in 1929; and,

Whereas, Dick Fergen has owned Nick's Hamburger Shop since 2004; and,

Whereas, Dick is committed to rebuilding and enhancing the business while maintaining the original flavor of the restaurant and the tradition of making burgers so good that longtime customers "buy 'em by the bag"; and,

Whereas, Dick has doubled the size of his business and has added a mobile concession unit for catering and for use at South Dakota State University home football games, fundraisers, and special events; and,

Whereas, Dick is known for personally serving his customers with enthusiasm and an upbeat attitude; and,

Whereas, Dick has been instrumental to the improvements made in downtown Brookings, including establishment of a park area near his business where people can dine outdoors and enjoy live music in the summer; and,

Whereas, Dick is a generous supporter of community activities and events, and represents the very best in retailing; and,

Whereas, The South Dakota Retailers Association will present the 2011 Retailer of the Year award to Dick Fergen:

Now, Therefore, I, Dennis Daugaard, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim January 10, 2011, as

DICK FERGEN DAY

in South Dakota.



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 Tenth Day of January in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Eleven.

Dennis Daugaard
Dennis Daugaard, Governor

Attest:

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