

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

*Whereas*, we are approaching the 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Declaration of Independence and live in a vast Nation with vast differences culturally and geographically, which is uniquely held together by our common heritage and history, and,

*Whereas*, preserving and understanding our American Heritage are intrinsic values that will serve us throughout our lives, bind us together, and allow us to better understand the foundation of our country, and,

*Whereas*, our citizen leaders envision a future where educational and service organizations of all manner, support education of our youth in the fields of American History, Education, Law, Political Sciences, and other related fields, and,

*Whereas*, parents seek to provide Patriotic education for our youth and public awareness about the important events, significant persons, and philosophical bases of the American Revolutionary period, the Constitution, and approaching 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Declaration of Independence, and,

*Whereas*, establishing a National American History Month will enhance greater awareness and support through educational publications, programs, historic tours, scholarships, as well as initiatives to encourage other organizations to engage in similar efforts, and,

*Whereas*, a National American History Month effort will aid in discovery, collection, and preservation of historical records, documents, monuments, and structures that help us understand the history of the first Colonists and their descendants, and,

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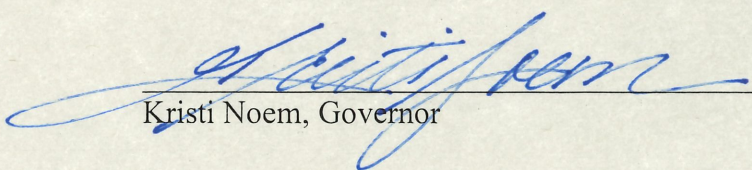
*Now, Therefore, I, Kristi Noem*, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim November 2019 and each November henceforth to be

*NATIONAL AMERICAN HISTORY AND FOUNDERS MONTH*

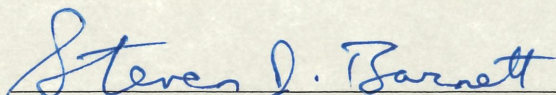
In South Dakota.



*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 First Day of April in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Nineteen.

  
Kristi Noem, Governor

Attest:

  
Steven J. Barnett, Secretary of State