## Executive Proclamation

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## State of South Dakota Office of the Governor

Whereas, there are nearly six million supermarket employees in the United States; and,

Whereas, in South Dakota, there are nearly 15,000 food retail jobs that generate \$1 billion in economic activity; and,

Whereas, supermarket employees provide all Americans with access to safe, healthy, and affordable food; and,

Whereas, supermarket employees work to enhance the health and well-being of each customer and contribute and volunteer countless hours in their communities; and,

Whereas, supermarket employees faced unprecedented challenges keeping grocery shelves stocked during supply chain disruptions; and,

*Whereas*, supermarket employees have met, and continue to meet and exceed, those challenges, while displaying courage, compassion, dedication, and leadership, as well as exemplifying customer service and community outreach:

Now, Therefore, I, Kristi Noem, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim February 22, 2024, as

## SUPERMARKET EMPLOYEE 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 Twenty-ninth Day of January in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Four.

Kristi Noem, Governor

Attest:

Monae L. Johnson, Secretary of State

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