

RESOLUTION #23-71

**A Resolution Proclaiming July 29th, 2023, as the
Korean War / Korean Defense Veterans
Appreciation Day in Brookings County**

Whereas, on June 25, 1950, communist Democratic People's Republic of Korea initiated the Korean War by invading the Republic of Korea with approximately 135,000 troops; and

Whereas, after three years of bitter fighting, hostilities ended with the signing of an armistice at Panmunjom on July 27, 1953; and

Whereas, the Korean peninsula has remained in a state of war for the past seventy years; and

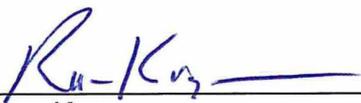
Whereas, approximately twenty-six thousand South Dakotans were deployed to serve in the Korean War among nearly two million members of the United States Armed Forces, serving beside members of the armed forces of the Republic of Korea and twenty other members of the United Nations, to defend freedom and democracy of the Republic of Korea; and

Whereas, one hundred and sixty South Dakota State residents and seven residents from Brookings County were killed in action between 1950 and 1953; and

Whereas, residents of south Dakota have been deployed as active duty service members to provide continued support to the Republic of Korea since the armistice was signed:

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BROOKINGS COUNTY COMMISSION that July 29th, 2023, be declared Korean War / Korean Defense Veterans Appreciation Day in Brookings County.

Dated this 11th day of July 2023.



Ryan Krogman
Chairperson, Brookings County Commission


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COUNTY


Lori Schultz
Brookings County Finance Officer