Executive Proclamation
State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, Owning your future is all about living well, planning early and wisely, knowing your options and taking action; and,

Whereas, No one can determine the day when they will need long-term care services, but planning and preparation should occur years before the need; and,

Whereas, Studies find that about two-thirds of all Americans will likely need some type of supportive services after age 65; and,

Whereas, South Dakota supports many services to assist people with their long-term care needs, including nutrition and wellness programs, nursing home and assisted living services, respite care services, homemaker services and nursing services; and,

Whereas, "Own Your Future," a long-term care public awareness campaign, will provide consumers with the information they need to start planning for their future through public awareness, outreach and educational materials and events:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim November 21, 2006, as

OWN YOUR FUTURE 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 Third Day of November in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Six.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State