

MAYORAL PROCLAMATION

CITY OF BROOKINGS, SOUTH DAKOTA

WHEREAS, the Council for Opportunity in Education has declared an annual First-Generation College Celebration each year in November to celebrate the passing of the Higher Education Act of 1965, which expanded opportunities for low-income and first-generation populations; and

WHEREAS, education is a priority in Brookings, South Dakota; and

WHEREAS, first-generation students and alumni exhibit resilience on their paths to earning a degree; and

WHEREAS, first-generation students and alumni make important contributions to the Brookings community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Oepke G. Niemeyer, Mayor of the City of Brookings, do hereby proclaim Friday, November 8, 2024 as

FIRST-GENERATION COLLEGE CELEBRATION DAY

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have placed the Seal of
the City of Brookings, State of South
Dakota, this 22nd day of October, 2024.

Oepke G. Niemeyer, Mayor