

Mayoral Proclamation

CITY OF BROOKINGS, SOUTH DAKOTA

WHEREAS, the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) was passed on July 26, 1990, as the first comprehensive declaration of equality for people with disabilities and protects rights in all aspects of employment, in accessing public services, and guaranteeing access to private establishments; and

WHEREAS, the goals of the community aligns with providing people with disabilities with the opportunities and support to achieve full integration and inclusion in society, in an individualized manner; and

WHEREAS, disability is a natural part of the human experience that does not diminish the right to enjoy the opportunity to live independently, enjoy self-determination, make choices, contribute to society, and experience full integration and inclusion with necessary services and supports.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Oepke G. Niemeyer, Mayor of the City of Brookings, do hereby proclaim July 26, 2025 as:

AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT 35TH ANNIVERSARY DAY

And call upon the people of Brookings to:

1. Recognize and celebrate the progress that has been made by reaffirming the principals of equality and inclusion and recommitting our efforts to reach full ADA compliance for people with disabilities in the City of Brookings.
2. Continue advocating for full inclusion and equity of individuals with disabilities in all aspects of society.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand,
and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the City of
Brookings, this 22rd day of July, 2025.

Oepke G. Niemeyer, Mayor