



## 2026 South Dakota Legislature

# Senate Commemoration 807

Introduced by: **Senator Nelson** and **Representative Auch**

1 **A LEGISLATIVE COMMEMORATION recognizing and honoring custodial staff across**  
2 **the State of South Dakota for their dedication and service.**

3 WHEREAS, custodial staff are the unsung heroes of public and private facilities, often being  
4 the first to arrive and the last to leave, and dedicating countless hours day in and day out to  
5 ensuring safe, clean, and welcoming environments for all; and

6 WHEREAS, custodial staff play a vital role in protecting public health, particularly in  
7 healthcare settings, where their diligent cleaning and disinfecting efforts serve as the first line  
8 of defense against the spread of viruses and bacteria; and

9 WHEREAS, custodial staff contribute to the success of workplaces by maintaining  
10 organized, sanitary, and attractive environments that promote productivity and create  
11 positive impressions on customers and visitors alike; and

12 WHEREAS, in schools, businesses, and communities, custodial staff are essential to  
13 creating environments conducive to learning, often safeguarding student and staff health by  
14 routinely disinfecting high-touch areas such as foyers, meeting rooms, classrooms, and  
15 restrooms;

16 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT COMMEMORATED, by the One Hundred First Legislature of the  
17 State of South Dakota, that recognition be extended to all custodial staff in this state for their  
18 hard work, professionalism, and dedication to maintaining safe, clean, and welcoming  
19 environments in our communities.