



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the City of Deadwood, in partnership with Deadwood History Inc., the Deadwood Historic Preservation Commission, the Deadwood Chamber of Commerce and Deadwood's Main Street Initiative, have committed to preserving, promoting and protecting Deadwood's rich and unique heritage; and

WHEREAS, to commemorate this heritage, a public arts committee has worked diligently to recognize and celebrate many of Deadwood's early pioneers through the Legends of Deadwood project in which bronze sculptures are being created and placed in their honor at key sites throughout Historic Deadwood; and

WHEREAS, numerous organizations and individuals have supported this project financially, on both a public and private level, to fund this project to commemorate these legendary individual's contributions and tribulations in this community's pioneer days; and

WHEREAS, the public arts committee engaged the artistic services of sculptor Edward Hlavka of Deadwood, South Dakota to create a likeness of Deadwood Legend Captain Seth Bullock, and

WHEREAS, Captain Seth Bullock played an important leadership role in helping establish the Deadwood community and was well respected throughout Deadwood and the State of South Dakota, and

WHEREAS, the community of Deadwood are honoring the memory of Captain Seth Bullock, pioneer, rancher, businessman, lawman, Captain in the US Army and presidential confidant through keeping his legacy alive, and

WHEREAS, the statue of Captain Seth Bullock will serve as a reminder to residents and visitors of the role he had in the settlement of Deadwood and his connection to Deadwood's pioneer beginning.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Charlie Struble-Mook, Mayor of the City of Deadwood, by virtue of the authority vested in me by our community, hereby proclaim September 23, 2025, as CAPTAIN SETH BULLOCK DAY and urge all citizens to join me in saluting Captain Seth Bullock for his contributions to the early days of Deadwood.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand this 23th day of September 2025.

Charlie Struble-Mook, Mayor