



PROCLAMATION IN HONOR OF
The Inaugural Palace City Pre-Sturgis Party



WHEREAS, The City of Mitchell has a long tradition of going “Outside Expectations” when welcoming visitors to the State of SD, including those visitors on the way to the Annual Sturgis Motorcycle Rally;

WHEREAS, the City of Mitchell is known as a motorcycle-friendly community, and has many businesses that provide goods and services for motorcycle enthusiasts throughout our state and world-wide;

WHEREAS, the City of Mitchell welcomes thousands of Sturgis Motorcycle Rally guests to Mitchell & the World’s only Corn Palace each year by providing front row “motorcycle only” parking and a postcard of them in front of the “World’s Only Corn Palace”;

WHEREAS, the community of Mitchell wants to enhance this welcome by providing additional “unique” and “surprising” events for Sturgis Rally visitors to experience while traveling through Mitchell to see the World’s Only Corn Palace.

WHEREAS, the Sports & Events Authority, the World’s Only Corn Palace, The Mitchell Convention & Visitors Bureau, and Klock Werks announced their sponsorship of the Inaugural Palace City Pre-Sturgis Party in downtown Mitchell, in front of the World’s Only Corn Palace, on **Thursday, August 2nd**;

WHEREAS, the City of Mitchell is happy to host this event, and believes that it will continue to showcase the Mitchell Community’s ability to go “Outside Expectations” in annually welcoming visitors to our community;

WHEREAS, the City of Mitchell is happy to welcome several distinguished guests to this inaugural event including the Hamsters, including original founders Donnie Smith and Dave Perewitz, a group of custom motorcycle enthusiasts known for their custom bikes and charitable efforts, who are celebrating their 40th anniversary with a ride that began in Boston;

WHEREAS, the City of Mitchell is happy to welcome Emily Bradford and the team from Jack Daniels who are fond of our fine City; Emily who is the widow of late Jimmy Bedford one of the few master distillers to guide them in making the World’s #1 selling whiskey from Lynchburg, TN;

WHEREAS, the City of Mitchell is also happy to welcome distinguished guests with the ‘American Bagger Ride To The 78th’ as they ride from South Carolina to Sturgis raising funds for ‘Bikers Against Bullies’;

WHEREAS, the Inaugural Pre-Sturgis Party at the Palace will showcase stunt riders including daredevil “Cornstar” Cole Freeman who will perform a jump in front of the World’s Only Corn Palace, the “Ill Conduct Thrill Show”, and a performance by up and coming Nashville singer Shelby Lee Lowe, as well as Mitchell’s very own Weston Frank Live Band;

WHEREAS, The City of Mitchell is excited to build on the community’s reputation for being a motorcycle-friendly city, giving the citizens an opportunity to welcome our “motorcycle visitors” and participate in the celebration during this inaugural event;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT the City of Mitchell wishes to declare **Thursday, August 2nd** as the **Palace City Pre-Sturgis Party Inaugural event day**;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT I, Bob Everson, Mayor of the City of Mitchell would like to also convey a very special recognition by way of this proclamation, to our distinguished guests for choosing to celebrate with us in Mitchell today, and to also thank all those who made this inaugural event possible.

Dated this **3rd day of August, 2018**.

Bob Everson, Mayor City of Mitchell