

CITY OF LEAD
PROCLAMATION
Office of the Mayor
Richard Barthel Day

WHEREAS, Richard Barthel will be honored by friends and relatives on the occasion of his 90th birthday on April 19th 2026, and;

WHEREAS, Richard Barthel was born in Golden Valley North Dakota on April 19th 1936, and;

WHEREAS, Richard Barthel proudly and honorably served in the United States Navy during the Korean War and defended our nation as Machinist Mate 1st. Class in The Pacific Ocean Theater while on deployment on the Aircraft Carrier USS Wasp, and;

WHEREAS, Richard Barthel has resided in Lead South Dakota since June 1, 1974, where he raised his family to be hard working and community minded, and;

WHEREAS, Richard Barthel in June of 1974 opened and operated General Service Garage providing needed service to the community for many years, and;

WHEREAS, Richard Barthel has been a member of the St. Patrick's Church in Lead South Dakota since June 1, 1974, and as a member he provided help to the community, assisted in the building of the current church building, and participated in their many community events and activities.

WHEREAS, in recognition of these important roles in protecting our country, service to our community, and providing a role model to our citizens;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, that the Mayor and City Commission of the City of Lead, South Dakota, do hereby designate April 19, 2026, as Richard Barthel Day in the City of Lead, and encourage all residents and visitors to reflect upon, celebrate, and honor his contributions to our city and country.

I, Dustin Heupel, Mayor of the City of Lead, by virtue of the authority vested in me, do hereby proclaim,

**Sunday, April 19, 2026 as
RICHARD BARTHEL DAY
in the City of Lead**

IN WITNESS, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the City of Lead, this 20th day of April, 2026.

Dustin Heupel--Mayor