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Janklow Honors Correctional Workers

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(Pierre) - Governor William J. Janklow has proclaimed May 7-13 as "Correctional Officers' Week" in South Dakota.

The Governor's executive proclamation recognizes "the significant work and unique contributions of correctional officers and all other staff employed in adult and juvenile corrections institutions and agencies". Governor Janklow also recognizes that correctional employees risk their own well-being continually while ensuring public safety by supervising incarcerated offenders and effectively providing custody and care of sentenced adults and adjudicated juveniles.

Corrections Secretary Jeff Bloomberg joins the Governor in commending all correctional employees for their work. "These people work under very demanding and adverse conditions every hour of every day of the year," says Bloomberg. "They rarely receive the thanks they deserve."

Corrections employees in South Dakota are responsible for the supervision, custody and care of more than 25-hundred adult inmates and more than 300 juvenile offenders.

President Clinton has also declared this week as "National Correctional Officers and Employees Week".