Dear "Partner",

Thank you for becoming a partner with the America 250 SD Commission. Our Mission is to engage, educate and unite South Dakotans to deepen their understanding of America history, South Dakota History, and the democratic process through education; increased engagement in our communities; and civic affairs by coordinating a statewide celebration of the 250th anniversary of the founding of the United States. As a partner hope you too endeavor to engage, educate and unite South Dakotans.

As you may already know, the U.S. Semiquincentennial Commission has tasked each state to create committees to help promote local and national events to commemorate our past. America 250 represents a coalition of public and private partners all working to create initiatives and programs that honor America's first 250 years and inspire us all to imagine our next 250.

As an America250 South Dakota partner, you will receive:

- Logo recognition on the SD America250 and SD Historical Society website linking to your organization's specific Semiquincentennial projects.
- Promotion of your special events in the new statewide Historical events calendar.
- Invitations to America250 SD and Historical Society events.

In part, as a partner you have agreed to and are expected to:

- Identify and develop specific projects that help to support the mission of America 250 SD, or support a specific project of America250 SD.
- Include the America250 SD partnership logo and website link on your website.
- Include the America 250 SD partnership logo on promotional items for your projects as provided by America250 SD in our style guide.
- Promote and create events as part of the America250 SD partnership as described in our planning guide.
- Share America250 SD communications and information with your employees and audiences.
- Promote fundraising for state and local events. Specific fundraising would be done by unique agreements or understandings.

As a partner you are also offered to join at least one of the three committees: State Commemorative Committee, Community Commemorative Committee, or Education and Engagement Committee. Each committee holds its own platforms and engagement where your organizations may help in excelling.

We are grateful for your partnership and look forward to working as a team to celebrate our nations historical birthday. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to <u>sdshsadmin@state.sd.us</u> or call Dr. Jones at 605-773-6002.