

Proclamation

25th Anniversary *BIS-MAN* 1990-2015

TRANSIT



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TO ALL WHOM THESE PRESENTS COME - GREETINGS:

Whereas, personal and public transit provided to a specific population of Bismarck, Mandan and Lincoln citizens, provides access to medical, business, employment, recreational, social and supportive services for the past 25 years; and

Whereas, Bis-Man Transit's door-to-door paratransit service is the only available option for transportation option for our community's most vulnerable population; individuals with disabilities, both temporary or long-standing, as well as our population aged 60 and over; and

Whereas, this personal transit system provides a safe, friendly and economical alternative transportation option, allowing individuals of all abilities to maintain urban mobility that enhances their independence, while helping to reduce traffic congestion, carbon emissions, and exposure to potentially dangerous driving conditions; and

Whereas, the backbone of our region's transit is staff highly respected for its efforts, but rarely recognized for the level of dedication and depth of knowledge - a combined 751 years of experience organization-wide to the region - brandished during the nearly 430,000 rides provided in 2014 by Bis-Man Transit, Capital Area Transit, Jefferson Lines and Taxi 9000; and

Whereas, the above-listed organizations provide an average of more than 1,175 combined rides each day, our drivers take the time to know many of our customers on a first-name basis, and recall that customer's specific set of needs to ensure a safe and enjoyable riding experience, regardless of uncontrollable circumstances such as rain, snow, ice and frigid temperatures; and

Whereas, the aforementioned entities are guided by a volunteer board incorporated in 1987 as a non-profit organization, which today includes 114 years of experience among its 11 members; and

Whereas, the North Dakota cities of Bismarck, Mandan, and Lincoln, as well as Bis-Man Transit, Capital Area Transit, Jefferson Lines and Taxi 9000 invite all residents of these three cities to participate in Personal and Public Transit Awareness Month.

Now, Therefore, I, Mike Seminary, Mayor of the City of Bismarck, and this Board of City Commissioners do hereby congratulate Bis-Man Transit and its constituents on its anniversary, and proclaim the month of July 2015 as:

BIS-MAN TRANSIT PUBLIC & PERSONAL TRANSIT APPRECIATION MONTH

In Bismarck, Mandan and Lincoln, I encourage all citizens to support Bis-Man Transit in its efforts to bring awareness to the customers, friends, family, and of course, the staff involved in this most worthy endeavor.

Dated in Bismarck, North Dakota, this 14th day of July 2015.



Mike Seminary, Mayor