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MAYOR BIETER PROCLAIMS
“BOISE GOES TO COLLEGE WEEK”

Mayor David Bieter has proclaimed October 31 through November 6, 2011 “Boise Goes to College Week” in the City of Boise.

“Boise’s economic future depends on the quality of education our young adults receive,” Mayor Bieter said. “For our city and state to compete and for our next generation to prosper, we must maximize the number of students attending college and seeking advanced degrees. I strongly encourage all high school students who have not selected a college to attend the Boise National College Fair at the Boise Centre on Wednesday, November 2.”

Boise School District statistics show that 57% of district graduates attend college and 83% advance from freshman to sophomore year in college. Idaho ranks 40th in the United States in bachelor’s degree attainment.

Excerpts from the Mayor’s proclamation:

Whereas, only 49% of graduating seniors in Idaho will enroll in college immediately after high school; and

Whereas, college is becoming an increasingly important step on the path to economic success, with 90% of the fastest growing jobs in America requiring a postsecondary credential or training and a projected 63% of US jobs requiring some college education by 2018; and

Whereas, many students lack crucial information regarding the admissions process and their options for postsecondary education and would benefit greatly from high-quality counseling on post-secondary educational planning and enrollment;

Now, therefore, I, David H. Bieter, Mayor of the City of Boise, do hereby proclaim October 31 through November 6, 2011 to be Boise Goes to College Week.

For more information on the Boise National College Fair, visit www.nacacnet.org/EventsTraining/CollegeFairs/nf/Pages/11FBoi.aspx or go to www.boiseschools.org.

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