



Executive Department
State of Idaho

The Office of the Governor
Proclamation

State Capitol
Boise

IBM Centennial Celebration

WHEREAS, IBM will celebrate its 100-year anniversary, which is unmatched in the world of business and technology; and

WHEREAS, countless corporations, political groups, technologies, economic upheavals and scientific disciplines have risen and disappeared throughout the decades – IBM has persevered. Its insights are critical to America’s rising leaders who are charting their paths in a more global and competitive world; and

WHEREAS, IBM’s Centennial is focused on making the world work better. IBM is reflecting on progress over the last century through three lenses: pioneering the science of information, changing the way the world works, and reinventing the modern corporation; and

WHEREAS, IBM created technological discoveries that have transformed our lives, from the first electronic calculator and programmable computers, to the chip powering the leading gaming consoles, to the Watson computer smart enough to battle champions on the popular TV game show, Jeopardy!; and

WHEREAS, IBM has continued to reinvent itself as a modern corporation through best practices around strong leadership, management training and global growth. IBM has always anticipated the challenges of global business and collaboration – from building an equal opportunity workforce 11 years before the Civil Rights Act of 1964, to being the first technology company to acquire a consulting firm;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, C.L. “BUTCH” OTTER, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim June 16, 2011 to be

IBM Centennial Celebration

in Idaho.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this 16th day of June in the year of our Lord two thousand and eleven and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred thirty-fifth and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred twenty-first.

C.L. “BUTCH” OTTER
GOVERNOR

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SECRETARY OF STATE