

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

PROCLAMATION

CHILD WELFARE APPRECIATION WEEK SEPTEMBER 21-25, 2026

WHEREAS, dedicated professionals across our state serve and protect our most vulnerable children and families, including protection workers, case managers, supervisors, parent aides, transportation assistants, placement coordinators, licensing specialists, adoption workers, eligibility staff, adoption and guardianship subsidy personnel, as well as Children and Family Services program and policy administrators; and

WHEREAS, these individuals demonstrate unwavering commitment, compassion and resilience in their daily efforts to ensure the safety, stability and well-being of children and families in need; and

WHEREAS, North Dakota recognizes the risks that many children may face and the need to intervene to protect children; and

WHEREAS, North Dakota recognizes the challenging task of assessing safety and providing services to assure that our children have strong, stable families by maintaining family connections, improving stability, preventing crisis and supporting recovery; even in situations where their personal safety may be at risk; and

WHEREAS, child welfare workers strive to maintain a high standard of ethics, integrity, commitment and professionalism and must develop culturally sensitive services, and gain substantial knowledge surrounding the rights of families, the laws surrounding child welfare and the legal processes governing the system; and

WHEREAS, North Dakotans are encouraged to recognize child welfare workers for their dedication and contributions to assuring the safety, permanency and well-being of our children.

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim
SEPTEMBER 21-25, 2026, **CHILD WELFARE APPRECIATION WEEK**
in the State of North Dakota.




Kelly Armstrong
GOVERNOR

ATTEST: 
Michael Howe
SECRETARY OF STATE