

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

PROCLAMATION

HOME VISITING WEEK

APRIL 20-24, 2026

WHEREAS, the early childhood years are the most active period for the developing brain, and a stable, secure relationship with a nurturing, caring adult is a key factor in the development of young children; and

WHEREAS, many parents begin the difficult lifetime job of raising a child feeling unprepared for the challenges ahead, and children have a better, healthier start when parents have the support and skills needed to raise them; and

WHEREAS, home visiting can include a variety of different programs and models, including early childhood home visiting programs and parenting education programs; and

WHEREAS, home visiting programs help parents meet the unique needs of their children, promote healthy development, strengthen family relationships, reduce the risk of abuse and neglect and promote equity by providing resources to families who are furthest from opportunity; and

WHEREAS, well-trained professionals implement early childhood home visitation so that all families have the opportunity to access information in ways that respect their unique beliefs, traditions and customs; and

WHEREAS, the State of North Dakota urges individuals and organizations across our state to utilize home visiting resources as needed to support the health and well-being of our children and families.

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim
April 20-24, 2026, **HOME VISITING WEEK** in the State of North Dakota.





Kelly Armstrong
GOVERNOR

ATTEST: 

Michael Howe
SECRETARY OF STATE