

# STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

## PROCLAMATION

### INCLUSIVE POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION DAY MAY 1, 2026

WHEREAS, the State of North Dakota affirms that access to postsecondary education strengthens our workforce, enhances independence and promotes full community participation for all citizens; and

WHEREAS, inclusive postsecondary education (IPSE) programs provide students with intellectual disabilities meaningful access to college coursework, campus life and career preparation in inclusive settings; and

WHEREAS, IPSE programs currently exist at Minot State University, Valley City State University and North Dakota State University, expanding higher education opportunities across our state; and

WHEREAS, advancing inclusive postsecondary education reflects North Dakota's dedication to equity, workforce development and the belief that every citizen can contribute to the strength of our state; and

WHEREAS, the North Dakota Inclusive Model Pathways for College and Career Training Consortium, the Think College National Coordinating Center and its Inclusive Higher Education Network commit to designating May 1, 2026, as Inclusive Postsecondary Education Day.

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim  
May 1, 2026, **INCLUSIVE POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION DAY**  
in the State of North Dakota.



  
Kelly Armstrong  
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:   
Michael Howe  
SECRETARY OF STATE