



State of
North Dakota

Office of the Governor

Doug Burgum
Governor

PROCLAMATION
LIMB LOSS AWARENESS MONTH
APRIL 2018

WHEREAS, there are approximately 2 million Americans living with limb loss/difference; and

WHEREAS, approximately 1,000 babies are born each year in the United States with congenital limb difference; and

WHEREAS, diabetes and peripheral vascular disease are the leading causes of limb loss followed closely by trauma; and

WHEREAS, over 500 Americans lose a limb every day, and studies show that up to 60 percent of limb loss is preventable; and

WHEREAS, it is expected that the number of amputations per day will double by 2050, unless a major public awareness campaign is launched and key prevention initiatives are put in place; and

WHEREAS, appropriate access to care for people affected by limb loss is vital to enable individuals to reach their full potential, live independently and live well with limb loss; and


WHEREAS, the Amputee Coalition provides education, outreach, support and advocacy through the National Limb Loss Resource Center for the benefit of persons with limb loss/difference, their families and health care providers.

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim April 2018 **LIMB LOSS AWARENESS MONTH** in the State of North Dakota.

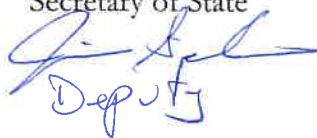


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