

## PROCLAMATION **NORTH DAKOTA SHARE THE ROAD SAFETY WEEK** JUNE 17-23, 2018

WHEREAS, walking, running and bicycling provide economical forms of transportation, recreation and physical exercise; and

WHEREAS, increasing numbers of residents in the state enjoy walking, running and bicycling as a pleasant pastime while gaining the health benefits of an active lifestyle; and

WHEREAS, local and tribal communities enjoy the overall benefits of walking, running and bicycling events; and

WHEREAS, knowledge and understanding of road safety issues, including injury prevention, the importance of laws and ordinances, and sharing the road with motorists, are necessary for pedestrians and bike riders of all ages and levels of experience; and

WHEREAS, the biking, walking and running communities of North Dakota are eager to engage in recreational and educational activities and to partner in generating public awareness of the need to engage in safe practices for all types of traffic on our roads; and

WHEREAS, a multi-agency partnership in North Dakota has united behind the primary traffic safety initiative of VISION ZERO, wherein fatalities and injuries on our roads are recognized as preventable and no longer tolerated as acceptable; and

WHEREAS, to mark the observance of North Dakota Share the Road Safety Week, an effort to recognize those who have been killed or injured in collisions involving motor vehicles, bicycles or pedestrians, North Dakotans are encouraged to uphold the ideals of sharing our roads and develop and promote collaborative measures focused on safety, saving lives and preventing injury on North Dakota's roads.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim June 17-23, 2018, **NORTH DAKOTA SHARE THE ROAD SAFETY WEEK** in the State of North Dakota.

Doug Burgum Governor

ATTEST:

Alvin A. Jaeger Secretary of State