



— State of —  
**North Dakota**  
*Office of the Governor*

**Doug Burgum**  
*Governor*

PROCLAMATION  
**RURAL LEADERSHIP NORTH DAKOTA DAY**  
JANUARY 10, 2019

**WHEREAS**, Rural Leadership North Dakota is a premier leadership development program implemented through NDSU Extension; and

**WHEREAS**, Rural Leadership North Dakota has prepared and developed effective leaders to strengthen rural North Dakota for more than a decade; and

**WHEREAS**, the program focuses on the importance of agriculture to North Dakota's economy from a local, national and international perspective; and

**WHEREAS**, the intensive 18-month course has expanded the vision and ability of more than 160 participants to invest their time and talents in implementing community-based projects that have benefitted local citizens and North Dakotans statewide; and

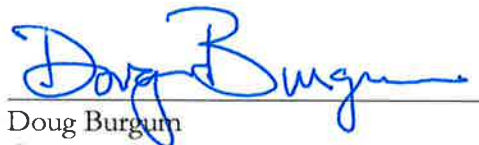
**WHEREAS**, the program has generated significant support from business and industry, organizations and individuals who understand that people are the greatest resource North Dakota has available to strengthen communities and organizations; and

**WHEREAS**, effective leaders in rural North Dakota help create healthy, vibrant communities that contribute to the strength of our state; and

**WHEREAS**, Rural Leadership North Dakota provides North Dakotans with critical professional development training and succession planning skills that ensure our communities remain strong for generations; and

**WHEREAS**, Rural Leadership North Dakota will continue to develop skilled and visionary leaders for our state.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim January 10, 2019, **RURAL LEADERSHIP NORTH DAKOTA DAY** in the State of North Dakota.

  
Doug Burgum  
Governor

ATTEST:

  
Alvin A. Jaeger  
Secretary of State