



— State of —
North Dakota

Office of the Governor

Doug Burgum
Governor

PROCLAMATION
UKRAINIAN HOLODOMOR REMEMBRANCE MONTH
NOVEMBER 2018

WHEREAS, North Dakotans honor the memory of those who lost their lives during the Ukrainian Holodomor and recognize the women and men who lived through tragedy; and

WHEREAS, 85 years ago the Soviet Union implemented an engineered famine, confiscating land, grain and animals from the Ukrainian people, leading to the deaths of up to 10 million men, women and children; and

WHEREAS, this engineered famine is known as the Holodomor, meaning “Murder by Starvation”; and


WHEREAS, at the height of the Holodomor in 1933, Ukrainians died at the rate of 25,000 a day with nearly a third of its victims being children less than 10 years old; and

WHEREAS, even as the Soviets continued to export Ukraine’s grain abroad, Ukrainian farmers in the “bread basket of Europe” suffered in starvation; and

WHEREAS, archival documents detail the Soviet regime’s actions and intention to conceal the reality and tragedy of the famine; and

WHEREAS, the commemoration of the Holodomor is meant to ensure that it will not be forgotten and so that history does not repeat itself.

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim November 2018, **UKRAINIAN HOLODOMOR REMEMBRANCE MONTH** in the State of North Dakota.



Doug Burgum
Governor

ATTEST:



Alvin A. Jaeger
Secretary of State