

AMERICAN RED CROSS MONTH MARCH 2024

WHEREAS, the State of North Dakota recognizes the importance of preventing and alleviating human suffering in the face of emergencies, and in North Dakota there exists a long history of helping neighbors in need and voicing gratitude for those who do; and

WHEREAS, through the power of volunteers and the generosity of donors, the American Red Cross fulfills a critical role in the state, responding to disasters every day by providing safe shelter, food, emergency relief supplies, emotional support, health services and recovery assistance to people affected by disasters; and

WHEREAS, American Red Cross volunteers conducted over 150 disaster relief operations in North Dakota following house fires, wildfires and blizzards in 2023, providing essential services to more than 350 people; and

WHEREAS, American Red Cross volunteers provided over 1,000 services to members of the armed forces and their families — helping them cope with the challenges of service, providing emergency communication services and reconnecting families separated by international conflict, disasters and war; and

WHEREAS, the American Red Cross teaches and empowers over 8,700 North Dakotans to provide CPR, first aid, Basic and Advanced Life Support, water safety and other skills to prevent and assist in life-threatening emergencies; and

WHEREAS, March is a special time to honor the kindness and generosity of the American Red Cross volunteers and donors who give their time and resources to help community members find shelter after home fires, deliver comfort items to military members in the hospital and prevent emergencies.

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim March 2024, AMERICAN RED CROSS MONTH in the State of North Dakota.



Doug Burgum GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

Michael Howe SECRETARY OF STATE