

# STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

## PROCLAMATION

### BLEEDING DISORDERS AWARENESS MONTH MARCH 2026

WHEREAS, bleeding disorders are rare disorders affecting the way the body controls blood clotting and are characterized by extended bleeding after injury, surgery, trauma or menstruation; and can lead to significant morbidity and be fatal if not treated effectively; and

WHEREAS, many individuals with hemophilia became infected with HIV and Hepatitis C in the 1980s due to the contamination of the blood supply and blood products; and

WHEREAS, the bleeding disorders community's relationships with policymakers have fostered numerous medical and policy advancements beneficial to all those affected by bleeding disorders and their loved ones; and

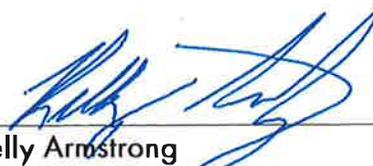
WHEREAS, 30 years ago, in March 1986 as "Hemophilia Awareness Month" was designated in the United States, and in 2016, the entirety of the bleeding disorders community supported the designation of March as National Bleeding Disorders Month; and

WHEREAS, Bleeding Disorders Awareness Month generates greater awareness and understanding of all inheritable bleeding disorders, including hemophilia, von Willebrand Disease and rare bleeding disorders which affect millions of individuals around the world; and will shine a light on great scientific achievements in the treatment of bleeding disorders, for which there currently is no cure, and the greater pursuit of advanced therapies and cures to these disorders; and

WHEREAS, Bleeding Disorders Awareness Month elevates awareness of inheritable bleeding disorders within the general public, enabling the prevention of illness, unnecessary procedures and disability.

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim  
March 2026, BLEEDING DISORDERS AWARENESS MONTH in the State of North Dakota.



  
Kelly Armstrong  
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:   
Michael Howe  
SECRETARY OF STATE