

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

PROCLAMATION

BLUE STAR WELCOME WEEK

SEPTEMBER 27-OCTOBER 5, 2025

WHEREAS, Blue Star Families seeks to empower military families by connecting them with their neighbors, individuals and organizations, to create vibrant communities of mutual support; and

WHEREAS, Blue Star Families annually designates the week beginning the fourth Saturday in September and concluding eight days thereafter as "Blue Star Welcome Week"; and

WHEREAS, during this week, we recognize the 600,000 military families who move to new communities each year; and

WHEREAS, only 39% of military family respondents to the 2024 Military Family Lifestyle Survey reported that they feel a sense of belonging to their local civilian community, while a sense of belonging is essential to the well-being and readiness of military families; and


WHEREAS, we commit to ensuring that military and veteran families feel a strong sense of belonging to their local civilian communities, and we express gratitude for the sacrifices made by service members and their families; and

WHEREAS, we encourage community members statewide to do their part and welcome military and veteran families into their communities.

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim
September 27-October 5, 2025, **BLUE STAR WELCOME WEEK**
in the State of North Dakota.




Kelly Armstrong
GOVERNOR

ATTEST: 
Michael Howe
SECRETARY OF STATE