November 5, 2019

Director Adele Fasano  
U.S. Customs and Border Protection Field Office  
9901 Pacific Highway  
Blaine, WA 98230

Dear Director Fasano:

The U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) proposed adjusted hours of operation at the Antler, Carbury and Maida ports of entry in North Dakota will negatively impact the local and regional economies, reduce the transferability of goods and services and inhibit tourism. My office is committed to maintaining the vital and convenient access between North Dakota and our neighbor and important economic partner, Manitoba.

While we support the effort to create efficiencies, we are concerned with the change of hours at locations that have seen increased crossings. In fiscal year 2017-2018 we have seen an increase in automobile crossings and truck crossings at each of the three proposed ports of entry, which can be seen in the table below.

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<th>Ports in Discussion</th>
<th>Fiscal 2017</th>
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Data provided from US Department of Homeland Security, Customs and Border Protection (CBP)

We urge the CBP to maintain the current hours of operation at the ports of entry identified on the North Dakota and Manitoba border.

Regards,

Doug Burgum

Cc: Honorable Brian Pallister, Premier of Manitoba  
    Jason Schmelz, Area Port Director, U.S. Customs and Border Protection  
    Cody Schulz, Director, North Dakota Homeland Security  
    Bill Panos, Director, North Dakota Department of Transportation