

# STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

## PROCLAMATION

### MISSOURI RIVER DAY

JULY 22, 2025

WHEREAS, the Missouri River has played a significant role in the history, culture and economy of the State of North Dakota, and serving as a vital waterway for Native American tribes, early explorers and settlers, and has been integral to the development of our communities and industries; and

WHEREAS, the Missouri River continues to serve as a crucial source of freshwater for North Dakotans, supporting agriculture, industry, and the livelihoods of many, and thus remains a key natural resource deserving of recognition and protection; and

WHEREAS, the Missouri River and its surrounding ecosystems provide critical habitat for diverse wildlife, including species that depend on the river for survival, making its conservation essential to maintaining biodiversity in our state; and

WHEREAS, the Missouri River offers significant opportunities for recreation, including boating, fishing, kayaking and hiking, all of which contribute to the quality of life for residents and attract tourism to the state, supporting local economies and fostering a deep appreciation for the natural beauty of North Dakota; and

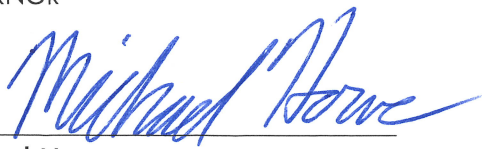
WHEREAS, designating a Missouri River Day in North Dakota would create a dedicated occasion for honoring the river's historical, cultural, environmental, and economic significance, while promoting awareness, education, and community action toward the river's protection and enhancement; and

WHEREAS, Missouri River Day provides an opportunity for North Dakotans to come together to celebrate the river, engage in environmental education and river clean-up activities and reflect on the importance of this waterway in shaping the state's past, present and future.

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim  
July 22, 2025, **MISSOURI RIVER DAY** in the State of North Dakota.



  
Kelly Armstrong  
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:   
Michael Howe  
SECRETARY OF STATE