NORTH DAKOTA

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SMALL BUSINESS WEEK

MAY 4 - 10, 2025

WHEREAS, small businesses are the engine of the American economy and the foundation of a free and prosperous nation — built by men and women who work hard, take risks and believe in the power of the American Dream; and

WHEREAS, small businesses make up more than 99% of all private sector employers and create nearly 2 out of every 3 new jobs in America, fueling opportunity and driving local economies across every corner of the country; and

WHEREAS, whether in our fields, on our factory floors or at the frontiers of technology, small businesses are driving the innovation and building the products that keep America strong, competitive and secure; and

WHEREAS, the American spirit of enterprise endures, and we now stand at the threshold of a new golden era for small businesses — built on common sense, pro-growth policies that put our people, our workers and our job creators first; and

WHEREAS, under strong leadership that prioritizes energy independence, secure borders and fair trade, we can once again restore American dominance, self-reliance and independence; and

WHEREAS, North Dakota shares this administration's commitment to cutting red tape, keeping taxes low and fighting for the hardworking entrepreneurs who power our economy from the ground up; and;

WHEREAS, National Small Business Week has been proclaimed by the President of the United States since 1963, honoring the vital role of small businesses in creating jobs, growing the economy and anchoring our communities.

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim May 4 - 10, 2025, SMALL BUSINESS WEEK in the State of North Dakota.

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Kelly Armstrong

GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

Michael Howe

SECRETARY OF STATE