NORTH DAKOTA

PROCLAMATION ==

SOCIAL SECURITY 90TH ANNIVERSARY AUGUST 14, 2025

WHEREAS, August 14, 2025, marks the 90th anniversary of the Social Security Act, signed into law in 1935, establishing one of the most enduring institutions in American history; and

WHEREAS, for nine decades, Social Security has transformed the lives of millions of Americans by providing critical financial protection for retirees, people with disabilities, surviving spouses and families; and

WHEREAS, Social Security has become the foundation of economic security for generations of North Dakotans, helping individuals live better, more secure and enjoyable lives in retirement with dignity and independence in their later years; and

WHEREAS, Social Security also provides support as more than 146,000 residents in North Dakota currently rely on Social Security to help meet basic needs such as housing, food, and health care; and

WHEREAS, Social Security contributes significantly to North Dakota's economy, generating nearly \$3 billion dollars annually in economic activity; and

WHEREAS, Social Security is earned by workers over a lifetime of hard work through the contributions they made from their first paycheck to their last;

WHEREAS, Social Security has stood the test of time - providing peace of mind to people across all walks of life, regardless of income, background or political affiliation; and

WHEREAS, as we commemorate this historic milestone, we reaffirm our commitment to protecting and strengthening Social Security for both current and future generations; and

WHEREAS, Social Security faces challenges that demand thoughtful solutions, as it remains the foundation of economic security for millions of Americans.

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim August 14, 2025, SOCIAL SECURITY 90TH ANNIVERSARY

in the State of North Dakota.

Kelly Armstrong
GOVERNOR

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Michael Howe
SECRETARY OF STATE