

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

PROCLAMATION

VALLEYCON WEEKEND

OCTOBER 17 - OCTOBER 19, 2025

WHEREAS, ValleyCon has been a cornerstone of pop culture, science fiction, fantasy, anime and gaming fandom in Fargo, North Dakota, for five decades, bringing together fans, creators and industry professionals to celebrate creativity, storytelling and the arts; and

WHEREAS, since its founding in 1974, ValleyCon has grown to become the longest-running pop culture convention in the region, fostering a community of enthusiasts who share a passion for science fiction, fantasy, comics, film, television, gaming and more; and

WHEREAS, ValleyCon has played a vital role in promoting literacy, education and artistic expression, engaging attendees through panels, workshops and special events that inspire imagination and innovation; and

WHEREAS, this milestone anniversary recognizes the dedication and hard work of the volunteers, organizers and fans who have ensured ValleyCon's continued success, making it a beacon of entertainment, learning and cultural enrichment in North Dakota; and

WHEREAS, the 50th anniversary of ValleyCon is a testament to the power of storytelling, the enduring spirit of fandom and the ability of conventions to unite people of all backgrounds in a shared love for pop culture.

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim
OCTOBER 17 - 19, 2025, VALLEYCON WEEKEND in the State of North Dakota.




Kelly Armstrong
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

Michael Howe
SECRETARY OF STATE