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# NEW HIGHWAY PATROL SUPERINTENDENT NAMED

Gov. Doug Burgum <u>announced the cabinet's newest member</u> this week, selecting North Dakota Highway Patrol Maj. Brandon Solberg to oversee the agency. Burgum cited Solberg's proven leadership experience and history in both field and administrative roles during his more than 22 years in law enforcement. The governor also expressed his gratitude for Col. Michael Gerhart, who is retiring from the Highway Patrol on June 30 after four years as superintendent and more than 26 years with the agency. Solberg has been with the Highway Patrol for nearly two decades, including more than 10 years as a commander at patrol headquarters in the Capitol.

### MAIN STREET TOUR STAYS CLOSE WITH MANDAN VISIT

Gov. Burgum and Lt. Gov. Brent Sanford didn't have to venture far to find the next town on the administration's #MainStreetND tour. The two spent part of Wednesday touring downtown Mandan and meeting with local leaders to learn about how Mandan is working to creating a healthy, vibrant community. The visit continues the administration's commitment to visit all cities that sign up for the Main Street Initiative. For more information, click <u>here</u>.



# **GOV. HONORS FALLEN PEACE OFFICERS**



Gov. Burgum, Attorney General Wayne Stenehjem, Supreme Court Chief Justice Gerald VandeWalle and others <u>paid tribute</u> <u>Wednesday</u> to law enforcement officers who died in the line of duty – and all men and women in uniform – during the 2018 Peace Officers Memorial Day ceremony hosted at the Capitol by the <u>North Dakota Peace Officers Association</u>. The names of 64 North Dakotans are engraved on the Peace Officers Memorial east of the Capitol's Judicial Wing.





## C-SPAN BUS VISITS BISMARCK

The Capitol had a special visitor on Wednesday as the C-SPAN bus came to town. North Dakota was the 34th stop on the network's #50CapitalsTour, which celebrates the 25th year of the bus traveling the country. Gov. Burgum appeared live from the bus on <u>"Washinton Journal"</u> being interviewed by host Peter Slen and taking questions from callers.

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Students Against Destructive Decisions (SADD) on Tuesday presented Lauren Roscoe of New Rockford, N.D., as its <u>2018-19 SADD Student of the Year</u> (SOY) during a recognition ceremony at the Capitol. Gov. Burgum and First Lady Kathryn Helgaas Burgum were on hand to help celebrate Roscoe and her accomplishments. Roscoe will receive the SOY Scholarship for \$1,000 and is eligible for a leadership experience at the U.S. Department of Transportation's National Highway Traffic Safety Administration in Washington, D.C., in the summer of 2019.