



State of
North Dakota

Office of the Governor

Doug Burgum
Governor

PROCLAMATION
ARBOR DAY
MAY 4, 2018

WHEREAS, Arbor Day is a holiday set aside for planting trees and is an annual tradition in North Dakota; and

WHEREAS, this year marks the signing of a cease-fire agreement in 1918 bringing World War I to a close after four years of conflict; and

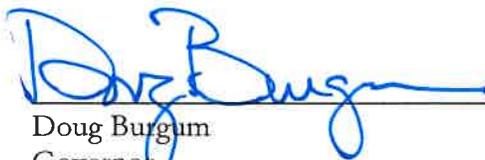
WHEREAS, Americans are called annually to reflect with solemn pride on the heroism of those who died in service of our country to keep our nation free; and

WHEREAS, Arbor Day is an opportunity to honor World War I and all our nation's veterans who have served in America's wars through the years by planting trees that will leave a living legacy and lasting memorial for present and future generations; and

WHEREAS, trees provide environmental, economic and social benefits that make direct and visible contributions to our quality of life and contribute to a vision of a safe country with vibrant communities; and

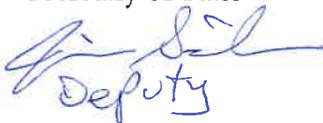
WHEREAS, the North Dakota Forest Service and World War One Centennial Committee will honor all veterans by planting a Prairie Expedition® American elm tree near the All Veterans Memorial on the Capitol grounds on Arbor Day in honor of their sacrifices and marking the end of World War I 100 hundred years ago.

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim May 4, 2018, **ARBOR DAY** in the State of North Dakota.


Doug Burgum
Governor

ATTEST:


Alvin A. Jaeger
Secretary of State


Deputy