## NORTH DAKOTA

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## CAREERS IN CONSTRUCTION MONTH OCTOBER 2019

WHEREAS, Careers in Construction Month is an annual month designated to increase public awareness and appreciation of construction craft professionals and the entire construction workforce; and

WHEREAS, during this month, employers, associations and schools are encouraged to conduct job fairs, panel discussions and local community events to inform students of the vast employment opportunities in construction; and

WHEREAS, the construction industry is one of our nation's largest industries, employing more than 5 million individuals in the United States, and 1.4 million openings will be available for new craft professionals across the United States by 2022; and

WHEREAS, we recognize and honor the critical role and contributions of construction craft professionals in the development and growth of North Dakota; and

WHEREAS, through a collaborative effort that reaches policymakers as well as local educators and high school students, our goal is to effectively address the issues that have contributed to chronic labor shortages and misconceptions of careers in construction, to develop a skilled workforce for the future.

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim October 2019, CAREERS IN CONSTRUCTION MONTH in the State of North Dakota.

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Doug Burgum GOVERNOR

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