

# STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

## PROCLAMATION

### CHILDREN OF INCARCERATED PARENTS DAY SEPTEMBER 15, 2022

**WHEREAS**, approximately 7 percent of children under the age of 18 in the United States have had a parent incarcerated; and

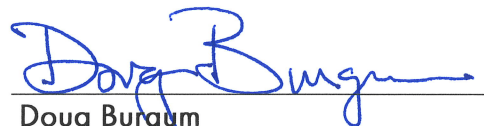
**WHEREAS**, these children are at higher risk of adverse childhood experiences, insecure attachment, social stigma, unstable family relationships, physical and mental health issues and low educational attainment; and

**WHEREAS**, contact between incarcerated parents and their children can help reduce these risks factors for the children and reduces recidivism for the incarcerated parent; and

**WHEREAS**, North Dakotans are encouraged to help reduce risk factors to both children and parents through education, promoting family contact while incarcerated and reducing social stigma.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim September 15, 2022, **CHILDREN OF INCARCERATED PARENTS DAY** in the State of North Dakota.



  
Doug Burgum  
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:   
Alvin A. Jaeger  
SECRETARY OF STATE