## NORTH DAKOTA

## PROCLAMATION ===

## CHRONIC DISEASE DAY

JULY 10, 2023

WHEREAS, chronic disease affects millions of individuals throughout North Dakota and accounts for 7 of the top 10 causes of premature death in Americans throughout the United States; and

WHEREAS, hundreds of thousands of Americans suffer from unpreventable and costly chronic and rare conditions, while the deadliest and costliest chronic diseases, including cardiovascular, stroke, diabetes, cancer and obesity, are also the most preventable; and

WHEREAS, Chronic Disease Day promotes actionable resources to reduce individual risk and lower the rate of chronic disease in America; and

WHEREAS, Chronic Disease Day is supported by the Chronic Disease Alliance and other advocacy organizations dedicated to assisting patients overcome challenges with access to care throughout North Dakota and across the United States; and

WHEREAS, North Dakota recognizes the need for increased awareness, education and resources to prevent and manage chronic diseases, ensuring a healthier future for its residents.

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim July 10, 2023, CHRONIC DISEASE DAY in the State of North Dakota.

Doug Burgum GOVERNOR

Michael Howe SECRETARY OF STATE