## NORTH DAKOTA

## PROCLAMATION ===

## CLEAN ENERGY WEEK

SEPTEMBER 25-29, 2023

WHEREAS, the State of North Dakota boasts an all-inclusive energy portfolio, including wind, hydropower, solar and waste heat-generated power, which is supported by a reliable baseload provided by clean fossil fuel-generated energy; and

WHEREAS, the State of North Dakota is a significant contributor to our nation's energy security, ranking third in crude oil production and producing around seven times more energy than it consumes; and North Dakota is among the top 10 states for ethanol production, providing 3% of the nation's fuel ethanol; and

WHEREAS, North Dakota supports the development of a strong in-state renewable energy manufacturing sector to further diversify our economy; and

WHEREAS, wind power provided about one-third of North Dakota's net generation in 2021, ranking among the top six states with the largest share of electricity generated by wind; and

WHEREAS, the energy sector is a growing part of the economy and has been a key driver of economic growth in North Dakota in recent years, employing more than 9,000 North Dakotans in the clean energy sector alone; and

WHEREAS, North Dakota is committed to developing innovative solutions for clean and reliable forms of energy, including technologies such as carbon capture, utilization and storage which continue to transform our fossil fuel energy; and

WHEREAS, we must harness the power of entrepreneurs and small businesses in North Dakota, along with government collaboration, to assert American energy leadership in the global marketplace and assure low-cost, reliable energy here at home, including both carbon and renewable energy sources.

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim September 25-29, 2023, CLEAN ENERGY WEEK in the State of North Dakota.

Doug Burgum
GOVERNOR

Michael Howe SECRETARY OF STATE