

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

PROCLAMATION

CRIME VICTIMS' RIGHTS WEEK

APRIL 23-29, 2023

WHEREAS, crime victims' rights acts passed here in North Dakota and at the federal level guarantee victims the right to meaningfully participate and use their voice in the criminal justice process; and

WHEREAS, victim service providers, advocates, law enforcement officers, attorneys and other allied professionals can help survivors find their justice by enforcing these rights; and

WHEREAS, including and elevating the voices of survivors makes certain they are heard and seen and creates a path to forging and sustaining community trust; and

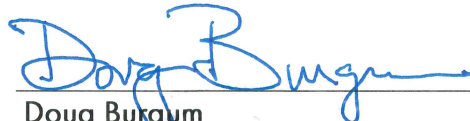
WHEREAS, engaging survivors creates responses and services that are credible, meaningful and centered on individual needs; and


WHEREAS, National Crime Victims' Rights Week provides an opportunity to recommit to listening to crime survivors in every space where decisions are made that could impact them; and

WHEREAS, the North Dakota Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation's Victim Services Program is dedicated to amplifying the voices of survivors and creating an environment where survivors have the confidence that they will be heard, believed and supported.

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim
April 23-29, 2023, **CRIME VICTIMS' RIGHTS WEEK** in the State of North Dakota.




Doug Burgum
GOVERNOR

ATTEST: 
Michael Howe
SECRETARY OF STATE