

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

PROCLAMATION

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT WEEK

MAY 8-12, 2023

WHEREAS, strategic economic development is important to communities across North Dakota, and the proactive work to support economic diversification, community building and workforce development keeps North Dakota growing; and

WHEREAS, economic developers promote economic well-being and quality of life for their communities by creating, retaining and expanding jobs that facilitate growth, enhance wealth and provide a stable tax base; and

WHEREAS, a business-friendly environment that encourages innovation, entrepreneurship and growth is necessary to attract new businesses and industries to the state, and to support the growth of existing businesses and industries; and

WHEREAS, the International Economic Development Council is the largest professional economic development organization dedicated to serving economic developers; and

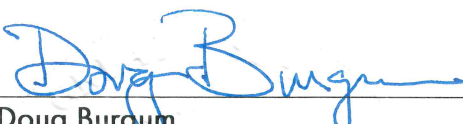
WHEREAS, economic developers are engaged in a wide variety of settings including rural and urban, local, state, provincial and federal governments; public-private partnerships; chambers of commerce; universities and a variety of other institutions; and

WHEREAS, economic developers attract and retain high-quality jobs, develop vibrant communities and improve the quality of life in their regions; and

WHEREAS, economic developers work with numerous companies prospecting the state of North Dakota for investments exceeding an estimated \$44 billion.

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim
May 8-12, 2023, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT WEEK in the State of North Dakota.




Doug Burgum
GOVERNOR

ATTEST: 
Michael Howe
SECRETARY OF STATE