NORTH DAKOTA

= PROCLAMATION ====

EDUCATION AND SHARING DAY

APRIL 12, 2022

WHEREAS, education is a significant foundation for the continuing success of our state, our country and society at large; and in the great state of North Dakota we strive for the betterment of all through an increased focus on education and sharing; and

WHEREAS, in order to achieve its highest goals, education must be more than just a training in facts and figures, or even in basic skills, as important as they are. It must also include instruction in the deepest ethical values of our civilization; and

WHEREAS, Rabbi Menachem Schneerson, the Lubavitcher Rebbe, one of the leading global advocates for the advancement of education, stressed the importance of moral and ethical education as the bedrock of humanity and the hallmark of a healthy society, and strongly urged that education be reinforced by the inculcation of strong moral values especially as expressed in the universal divine moral code known as the Noahide Code; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of the Rebbe's outstanding and lasting contributions toward improvements in world education, morality and acts of charity, he was awarded the Congressional Gold Medal, and the United States Congress has established his birthdate as a national day to raise awareness and strengthen the education of our children; and

WHEREAS, such an education can nurture the unity of diverse peoples through encouraging increased acts of goodness and kindness, imbued with the awareness that even a single positive act of an individual can make a major impact in this world; and

WHEREAS, April 12, 2022, will mark 120 years since the Rebbe's birth, and for more than 40 years the president of the United States has recognized and honored the Rebbe's vision each year on his birthday by proclaiming it "Education & Sharing Day USA."

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim April 12, 2022, EDUCATION AND SHARING DAY in the State of North Dakota.

Doug Burgum GOVERNOR

Alvin A. Jaeger SECRETARY OF STATE