

PROCLAMATION EDUCATION AND SHARING DAY

MARCH 27, 2018

WHEREAS, excellence in education is vital to the success of our nation and our state; and in the Great State of North Dakota we seek the betterment of our citizens and look to instill each child and adolescent with a good education; and

WHEREAS, by preparing our students for the responsibilities and opportunities of the future, education develops the intellect through lessons on literacy, math and science; and

WHEREAS, the Rebbe, Rabbi Menachem Schneerson, a global spiritual leader who dedicated his life to the betterment of mankind, provided a shining example of what education ought to be for all people; and

WHEREAS, the Rebbe was a tireless advocate for youth around the world, emphasizing the importance of education and good character and instilling hope for a brighter future into countless people in America and across the globe; and

WHEREAS, the Rebbe taught that education in general should not be limited to the acquisition of knowledge and preparation for a career, or in common parlance, "to make a better living," and we must think in terms of a "better living" not only for the individual but also for the society as a whole; and that the educational system must therefore pay more attention, indeed the main attention, to the building of character, with emphasis on moral and ethical values that are the bedrock of society from the dawn of civilization when they were known as the Seven Noahide Laws; and

WHEREAS, the President of the United States has paid recognition to the Rebbe's vision each year on that day by proclaiming it Education & Sharing Day USA.

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim March 27, 2018, **EDUCATION AND SHARING DAY** in the State of North Dakota.

Doug Burgum

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ATTEST:

Alvin A. Jaeger Secretary of State