



— State of —  
**North Dakota**  
*Office of the Governor*

**Doug Burgum**  
*Governor*

PROCLAMATION  
**ELECTRONIC RECORDS DAY**  
OCTOBER 10, 2018

**WHEREAS**, Electronic Records Day is a day to raise awareness among government agencies, related professional organizations, the general public and other stakeholders about the crucial role electronic records play in our world; and

**WHEREAS**, there's an increasing reliance on information technology and the challenge to manage, preserve and provide access to digital records and information continues to grow; and


**WHEREAS**, electronic records are subject to changes in software and hardware that can leave them virtually inaccessible after just a few years if not monitored; and

**WHEREAS**, electronic records require proactive management at the time the records are created; and

**WHEREAS**, electronic records should be evaluated according to their information content, not their format, and be subject to the same retention schedules and public records requirements as physical records; and

**WHEREAS**, raising awareness of the importance of properly handling electronic records will protect their access and use in the future.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim October 10, 2018, **ELECTRONIC RECORDS DAY** in the State of North Dakota.

  
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Doug Burgum  
Governor

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Secretary of State