

# STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

## PROCLAMATION

### EYE DONATION MONTH NOVEMBER 2023

WHEREAS, the first National Eye Donor Month was observed in March 1983 as the result of a proclamation read by President Ronald Reagan; and

WHEREAS, every year thereafter, a member of Congress has continued the tradition and reads a proclamation into the Congressional Record each November; and

WHEREAS, Dakota Lions Sight & Health, the only donation organization based in the Dakotas, provided 667 corneas to recipients in our area last year, restoring their sight and quality of life; and

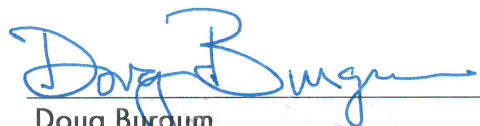
WHEREAS, there were 553 individuals who made the selfless gift to donate their corneas last year; and

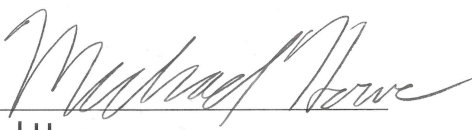
WHEREAS, in 2007, the North Dakota Legislature passed Senate Bill 2163, The Uniform Anatomical Gift Act, to promote donation; and

WHEREAS, the state of North Dakota recognizes the importance of continuing to raise awareness of the need to donate, to recognize donors and their families, and to celebrate recipients.

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim  
November 2023, EYE DONATION MONTH in the State of North Dakota.



  
Doug Burgum  
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:   
Michael Howe  
SECRETARY OF STATE