NORTH DAKOTA

PROCLAMATION ===

FIRST RESPONDER APPRECIATION DAY

OCTOBER 28, 2020

WHEREAS, individuals, both career and volunteer, from 911 dispatchers, law enforcement, fire, emergency medical services, search and rescue and other organizations in the public safety sector, protect the citizens of North Dakota as first responders during emergencies and in times of crisis; and

WHEREAS, North Dakota's first responders are highly trained professionals equipped with specialized education and skill sets that enable them to effectively address situations of urgency, protect public property and save lives; and

WHEREAS, during the COVID-19 pandemic, while most citizens have been asked to stay home, first responders have been on the front lines of the emergency risking their own health to help others; and

WHEREAS, first responders are vital members of every North Dakota community who selflessly serve on the front lines of the most dangerous situations and circumstances, and whose dedication is essential to maintaining safety and preserving order in times of crisis; and

WHEREAS, first responders contribute to the health and vibrancy of our communities, ensuring the safety and well-being of North Dakotans and their families in the communities where they choose to live, work and play; and

WHEREAS, the State of North Dakota proudly recognizes the bravery and dedication of our heroic first responders, with deepest gratitude and appreciation for the invaluable services they provide to our communities, and with continued admiration for their incredible selflessness and commitment to public safety.

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim October 28, 2020, FIRST RESPONDER APPRECIATION DAY in the State of North Dakota.

Doug Burgum GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

Alvin A. Jaeger SECRETARY OF STATE