

# STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

## PROCLAMATION

### INDIAN CHILD WELFARE ACT AND WELLNESS WEEK JULY 23-29, 2023

WHEREAS, North Dakota is blessed with a multitude of children and families — an essential part of the cultural, social and spiritual fabric of our state; and

WHEREAS, strong families are the core of strong communities; and

WHEREAS, preserving the cultural heritage of Native American families and children is important for the future of our state; and

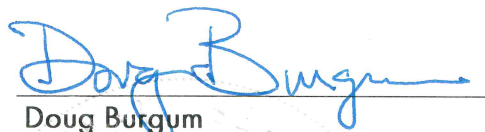
WHEREAS, the Indian Child Welfare Act, passed by the United States Congress in 1978, emphasizes the importance of Native American families being involved in the decisions and policies that affect their children; and

WHEREAS, it is important for the state and tribal agencies to continue to work together to ensure a future of hope and opportunity for all North Dakota children and families.

WHEREAS, North Dakota acknowledges the need for comprehensive support systems that promote the physical, emotional and educational development of children and families, ensuring their success and resilience in an ever-changing world.

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim  
July 23-29, 2023, INDIAN CHILD WELFARE ACT AND WELLNESS WEEK in the  
State of North Dakota.



  
Doug Burgum  
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:   
Michael Howe  
SECRETARY OF STATE