

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

PROCLAMATION

MANUFACTURING DAY OCTOBER 2, 2020

WHEREAS, manufacturing is a significant creator of new wealth in North Dakota with more than 800 manufacturing companies making a wide variety of products — agricultural machinery, food, transportation equipment, fabricated metals, minerals and wood products; and

WHEREAS, manufacturers employ and pay above-average wages to over 26,000 of our family, friends and neighbors in North Dakota, which is over 6 percent of the workforce, earning average wages of nearly \$59,000, and are proud to have added 1,913 new jobs since 2016; and

WHEREAS, manufacturers in North Dakota supply about 7.4 percent of the state's output and led the nation in export growth at 35 percent in 2018; and

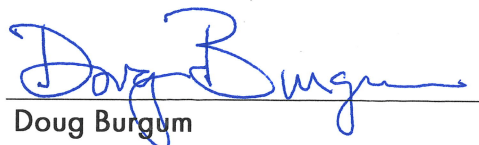
WHEREAS, the ability to successfully address short-term and long-term workforce development relies upon expanding a positive perception of the manufacturing industry as a career choice; and

WHEREAS, the Fabricators and Manufacturing Association International, Manufacturing Extension Partnership, National Association of Manufacturers and the Manufacturing Institute have designated October 2, 2020, as National Manufacturing Day, partnering in an effort to address the opportunities and challenges the manufacturing industry faces; and

WHEREAS, Impact Dakota, the North Dakota Department of Commerce, the Greater North Dakota Chamber and the Economic Development Association of North Dakota are partnering with community groups, manufacturers and technical and community colleges to host Manufacturing Day events in accordance to social distancing guidelines as part of this national program.

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim
October 2, 2020, **MANUFACTURING DAY** in the State of North Dakota.




Doug Burgum
GOVERNOR

ATTEST: 
Alvin A. Jaeger
SECRETARY OF STATE