## STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

## MANUFACTURING DAY OCTOBER 1, 2021

PROCLAMATIO

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

WHEREAS, manufacturers employ and pay above-average wages to over 26,500 of our family, friends and neighbors in North Dakota, which is over 6% of the workforce, earning average wages of more than \$60,000 annually, and are proud to have added more than 1,900 new jobs since 2016; and

WHEREAS, manufacturers in North Dakota suppled \$4.05 billion in output, which is 7.5% of the total gross state product, in 2020, and helped drive the economy with \$3.1 billion in manufactured good exports in 2020; and

WHEREAS, the ability to successfully address short 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 1, 2021, 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 with social distancing guidelines as part of this national program.

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim October 1, 2021, MANUFACTURING DAY in the State of North Dakota.



Doug Burgum

GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

Alvin A. Jaeger SECRETARY OF STATE