



— State of —
North Dakota

Office of the Governor

Doug Burgum
Governor

PROCLAMATION
MEN'S HEALTH MONTH
JUNE 2017

WHEREAS, despite modern advances in medical technology and research, men's life expectancy continues to average five years less than that of women, with men of African American and Native American ethnic backgrounds having the lowest life expectancy overall; and

WHEREAS, educating the public and health care providers about the importance of a healthy lifestyle and early detection of men's health problems will assist in reducing the number of deaths caused by detectable and preventable diseases; and

WHEREAS, men who understand the important role that preventative health can play in prolonging their lifespan and role as a productive family members are more likely to participate in health screenings; and

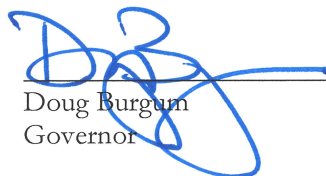
WHEREAS, fathers who maintain a healthy lifestyle are role models for their children and have happier, healthier children; and

WHEREAS, Men's Health Network worked in conjunction with Congress to develop a national men's health awareness period as a special campaign to help educate men, boys, and their families about the importance of positive health attitudes and preventative health practices; and

WHEREAS, North Dakota's Men's Health Month will focus on a broad range of men's health issues including: heart diseases; mental health; diabetes; prostate, testicular, and colon cancer; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of this state are encouraged to increase awareness of the importance of a healthy lifestyle, regular exercise, and medical check-ups.

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim June 2017 **MEN'S HEALTH MONTH** in the State of North Dakota.



Doug Burgum
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ATTEST:



Alvin A. Jaeger
Secretary of State