STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

MOTHER'S DAY MAY 12, 2024

WHEREAS, the second Sunday in May is designated Mother's Day in North Dakota, and on that day North Dakotans are encouraged to pay respect and tribute to our mothers, whether with us in person or in spirit; and

WHEREAS, Americans have a long tradition of setting aside the second Sunday in May, first designated in 1914 by the U.S. Congress in a joint resolution, to honor, celebrate and thank all mothers; and

WHEREAS, mothers play a critical role in the development of their children as they guide and support the physical, behavioral and educational health of their daughters and sons; and

WHEREAS, mothers often stand as role models in the eyes of their children and partners, and their courage and sacrifice in the name of motherhood is a benefit to us all; and

WHEREAS, for many, mothers inspire our actions as responsible individuals and patriotic citizens, leading by example and encouraging children to become leaders in their families and communities and contributing to the health and happiness of others; and

WHEREAS, the unconditional love and support of our mothers is deserving of our respect and gratitude, and we recognize the value of these gifts so freely given; and

WHEREAS, for their devotion to seeing us lead happy and successful lives, on this day, North Dakotans of all ages pay tribute to our mothers, whether we are their children by blood or by choice — by birth, adoption, foster care or action — and share with them our deepest gratitude for the gift of life and for their sacrifices to strengthen our families, communities, state and nation.

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim May 12, 2024, MOTHER'S DAY in the State of North Dakota.



Doug Burgum

GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

Michael Howe SECRETARY OF STATE