## NORTH DAKOTA

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## MUNICIPAL PUBLIC POWER WEEK

OCTOBER 6-11, 2024

WHEREAS, during the first full week in October, municipal electric utilities nationwide celebrate Public Power Week in recognition of municipal electric utilities throughout the nation; and

WHEREAS, municipal power is also known as public power; and public power utilities provide clean, reliable and affordable electric energy to more than 54 million customers across the United States; and

WHEREAS, the state of North Dakota has 12 municipal electric utilities serving its customer-owners; and

WHEREAS, these community-owned, not-for-profit, locally controlled utilities are invested in and accountable to their citizen-owners, providing local control so that their customers have a direct voice in the utility's operations and policies; and

WHEREAS, as a valuable community asset, municipal utilities contribute to the community's well-being through energy efficiency programs, responsive customer service, economic development and a clean, diverse and reliable power supply for today and in the future; and

WHEREAS, in addition, municipal electric utilities provide local employment and local utility management; and

WHEREAS, North Dakotans are welcome to show gratitude and recognize the importance of municipal public power, the people it employs and the services it provides to its customers.

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim October 6-11, 2024, MUNICIPAL PUBLIC POWER WEEK in the State of North Dakota.



Doug Burgum GOVERNOR

Michael Howe

SECRETARY OF STATE