

# STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

## PROCLAMATION

### NORTH DAKOTA TRAVEL AND TOURISM WEEK MAY 3-9, 2020

WHEREAS, travel is among the largest private-sector employers in the United States, supporting 15.8 million jobs in 2019, including 9 million jobs directly in the travel industry and 6.8 million jobs in support industries; and

WHEREAS, tourism in North Dakota is the third-largest industry and important to our diversified economy; and

WHEREAS, travel in North Dakota attracted 22.6 million visitors who spent \$3.1 billion in North Dakota in 2018; and

WHEREAS, travel sustained more than 2,900 businesses in North Dakota in 2019; and

WHEREAS, travel provided employment for more than 42,000 people in North Dakota in 2019; and

WHEREAS, travel generated \$300.5 million in local and state taxes paid by visitors; and

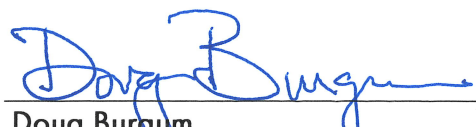
WHEREAS, tourism is the front door for economic growth, and visitors help sustain our healthy and vibrant communities; and

WHEREAS, travel is impactful to our communities statewide, generating revenue through visitor spending in all 53 North Dakota counties; and

WHEREAS, given these significant contributions to North Dakota's economy and the social and cultural well-being of the citizens of North Dakota, it is fitting that we recognize the importance of the state's travel and tourism industry.

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim  
May 3-9, 2020, NORTH DAKOTA TRAVEL AND TOURISM in the State of North Dakota.



  
Doug Burgum  
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:   
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SECRETARY OF STATE