

# STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

## PROCLAMATION

### NORTH DAKOTA-TAIWAN SISTER STATE RELATIONSHIP DAY OCTOBER 10, 2021

WHEREAS, the State of North Dakota is proud of the ongoing sister-state relationship with Taiwan which it has enjoyed since 1986, marked by a strong bilateral economic and trade partnership; and

WHEREAS, the State of North Dakota and Taiwan share the same values of freedom, democracy, rule of law and respect for human rights; and the relationship between the State of North Dakota and Taiwan has enriched the cultural diversity of both in numerous and substantial ways; and

WHEREAS, the State of North Dakota and Taiwan have a long and mutually beneficial relationship, as both partners enjoy close ties in two-way trade; and

WHEREAS, Taiwan donated 30,000 surgical masks in May 2020 to support North Dakota medical workers on the front lines, demonstrating Taiwan's solidarity with North Dakota during the pandemic; and

WHEREAS, Taiwan expressed its gratitude to the United States for the donation of 2.5 million vaccine doses in June 2021, further highlighting close cooperation between the two partners in the fight against the COVID-19 pandemic; and

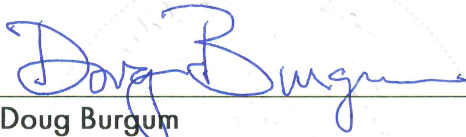
WHEREAS, in January 2021, Taiwan lifted restrictions on the import of beef from United States cattle aged 30 months or older and pork containing permissible ractopamine, providing greater access to Taiwan's meat markets for North Dakota's farmers and ranchers; and

WHEREAS, on October 10, 2021, the Republic of China (Taiwan) observes its 110<sup>th</sup> National Day; and

WHEREAS, the State of North Dakota joins in observing this annual tradition and extends best wishes for a memorable celebration.

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim  
October 10, 2021, NORTH DAKOTA-TAIWAN SISTER STATE RELATIONSHIP DAY  
in the State of North Dakota.



  
Doug Burgum  
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

  
Alvin A. Jaeger  
SECRETARY OF STATE