

# STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

## PROCLAMATION

### NORTH DAKOTA-TAIWAN SISTER STATE RELATIONSHIP DAY OCTOBER 10, 2022

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 and the United States announced the launch of the U.S.-Taiwan Initiative on 21<sup>st</sup> Century Trade on June 1, 2022, to develop concrete ways to deepen the economic and trade relationship and advance mutual trade priorities based on shared values, which would in turn contribute to promoting trade between Taiwan and North Dakota; and

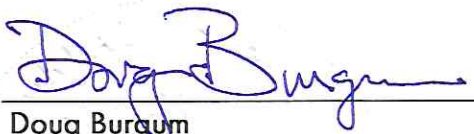
WHEREAS, Taiwan and the United States jointly launched the U.S.-Taiwan Education Initiative in December 2020 to reaffirm both sides' commitment to deepening cooperation on international education, particularly in the area of English and Mandarin Chinese language education, paving the way for furthering education and talent exchanges between Taiwan and North Dakota; and

WHEREAS, on October 10, 2022, the Republic of China (Taiwan) observes its 111<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, 2022, NORTH DAKOTA-TAIWAN SISTER STATE RELATIONSHIP DAY  
in the State of North Dakota.



  
Doug Burgum  
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:   
Alvin A. Jaeger  
SECRETARY OF STATE