

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

PROCLAMATION

NET CANCER AWARENESS DAY NOVEMBER 10, 2023

WHEREAS, neuroendocrine tumors (NETs) are cancers that begin in specialized cells called neuroendocrine cells which have traits similar to those of nerve cells and hormone-producing cells; and NETs often develop into cancer and, if left untreated, can result in serious illness and death; and

WHEREAS, all too often health care professionals underestimate the malignant and metastatic potential of NETs; and

WHEREAS, diagnosis of NET cancer may be as simple as ordering a specialized blood or urine test, yet NET cancer patients are often misdiagnosed or receive a delayed diagnosis, which can have a negative impact on their chance of survival and quality of life; and

WHEREAS, survival for NET cancer patients is further compromised by fragmented care and lack of access to treatment by networks of specialists; and

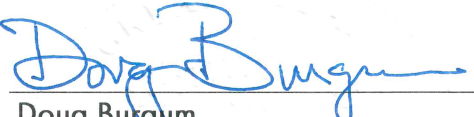
WHEREAS, although there have been advances in the detection and treatment of NET cancers, not all patients are benefiting quickly enough from scientific and medical progress in the field; and


WHEREAS, with timely diagnosis and proper treatment, NET cancer patients can have significantly improved outcomes and quality of life; and

WHEREAS, patients, caregivers, health care professionals and the wider community are encouraged to work together to raise awareness about NET cancers and the need for timely diagnosis and access to optimal treatment and care.

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim November 10, 2023, NET CANCER AWARENESS DAY in the State of North Dakota.




Doug Burgum
GOVERNOR

ATTEST: 
Michael Howe
SECRETARY OF STATE