NORTH DAKOTA

== PROCLAMATION ===

NONMELANOMA SKIN CANCER AWARENESS WEEK NOVEMBER 14-20, 2022

WHEREAS, there are approximately 12,000 new cases of nonmelanoma skin cancer anticipated to be diagnosed in North Dakota this year, and 3.3 million people nationwide may be diagnosed with this disease (basal and squamous cell carcinomas); and

WHEREAS, more than 2,000 people in the United States die each year from this most common type of cancer; and

WHEREAS, skin cancer risk factors include sun exposure year-round, use of tanning equipment, a family history of skin cancer, age and others; and

WHEREAS, treatment options for nonmelanoma skin cancer in North Dakota now include not only Mohs surgery but also the newest FDA-cleared nonsurgical treatment known as image-guided superficial radiotherapy; and

WHEREAS, individuals with nonmelanoma skin cancer should discuss their treatment options with their doctors and other health care providers in a timely fashion; and

WHEREAS, the State of North Dakota is committed to promoting healthy lifestyle choices and encourages its citizens to learn about health risk factors, preventive strategies and treatment options.

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim

November 14-20, 2022, NONMELANOMA SKIN CANCER AWARENESS WEEK in the

State of North Dakota.

Doug Burgum GOVERNOR

Alvin A. Jaeger

SECRETARY OF STATE