

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

PROCLAMATION

NORTH DAKOTA TRAVEL AND TOURISM WEEK MAY 7-13, 2023

WHEREAS, the travel industry supports many industries and will continue to be an essential part of North Dakota's diversified economy; and

WHEREAS, travel is an economic powerhouse for every state and destination across the country, with an economic output of \$2.6 trillion in 2022, supporting 14.5 million American jobs; and

WHEREAS, travel in North Dakota attracted 21.71 million visitors who spent nearly \$3 billion in North Dakota in 2021; and

WHEREAS, travel has generated \$248 million in local and state taxes paid by visitors, saving North Dakotans an average of \$770 per household; and

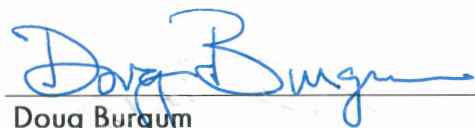
WHEREAS, North Dakota's tourism revenue sustains 2,900 businesses; and

WHEREAS, 76% of new residents visited North Dakota prior to moving to the state; and

WHEREAS, the hospitality industry supports quality of life for North Dakotans, with more than 41,000 jobs providing the entertainment, service and amenities that benefit visitors and residents; and given these significant contributions to North Dakota's economy and the social and cultural well-being of the citizens of North Dakota, 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 7-13, 2023, **NORTH DAKOTA TRAVEL AND TOURISM WEEK** in the
State of North Dakota.




Doug Burgum
GOVERNOR

ATTEST: 
Michael Howe
SECRETARY OF STATE