



— State of —
North Dakota
Office of the Governor

Doug Burgum
Governor

PROCLAMATION
NORTH DAKOTA TRAVEL AND TOURISM WEEK
MAY 5-11, 2019

WHEREAS, the travel industry is among the largest private-sector employers in the United States, supporting 15.7 million jobs in 2018, including 8.9 million directly in the travel industry and 6.8 million indirect and induced jobs; and

WHEREAS, tourism is the third-largest industry in North Dakota and important to our diversified economy; and more than 2,900 businesses make up the travel and tourism sector in North Dakota, helping to differentiate the state and create memories for our visitors; and

WHEREAS, travel in North Dakota attracts 22 million visitors who spent \$3.1 billion in North Dakota; and

WHEREAS, travel provides employment for more than 42,614 people in North Dakota, generating a payroll of \$1.3 billion; and

WHEREAS, travel generates \$327 million in local and state taxes paid by visitors creating a resident tax savings of \$1,092 per household; and

WHEREAS, tourism is the front door for economic growth and visitors help sustain our healthy and vibrant communities; and

WHEREAS, travel is impactful statewide, generating revenue through visitor spending in all 53 counties; and

WHEREAS, given these significant contributions to North Dakota's economy and the social and cultural well-being of the citizens of North Dakota, it is fitting that 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 5-11, 2019, **TOURISM WEEK** in the state of North Dakota.


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ATTEST:


Alvin A. Jaeger
Secretary of State