



State of  
**North Dakota**  
*Office of the Governor*

Doug Burgum  
*Governor*

PROCLAMATION  
**NURSES WEEK**  
MAY 6-12, 2019

**WHEREAS**, more than 3.6 million nurses in the United States comprise our nation's largest health care profession; and

**WHEREAS**, the depth and breadth of the nursing profession meets the different and emerging health care needs of the American population in a wide range of settings; and

**WHEREAS**, the American Nurses Association, as the voice for the nurses of this country, is working to chart a new course for a healthy nation that relies on increasing delivery of primary and preventive health care; and

**WHEREAS**, a renewed emphasis on primary and preventive health care will require the better utilization of all our nation's nursing resources; and

**WHEREAS**, professional nursing has been demonstrated to be an indispensable component in the safety and quality of care of hospitalized patients. The demand for nursing services will be greater than ever because of the aging of the American population, the continuing expansion of life-sustaining technology and the explosive growth of home health care services; and

**WHEREAS**, the cost-effective, safe and quality health care services provided by nurses will be an increasingly important component of the U.S. health care delivery system in the future.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim May 6-12, 2019, **NURSES WEEK** in the State of North Dakota.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Doug Burgum".

Doug Burgum  
Governor

ATTEST:

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Alvin A. Jaeger".

Alvin A. Jaeger  
Secretary of State