

# STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

## PROCLAMATION

### PATRIOTS' DAY APRIL 17, 2023

WHEREAS, the American Revolutionary War began on April 19, 1775, with the battles of Lexington and Concord and the "shot heard 'round the world"; and

WHEREAS, Patriots' Day is celebrated on the third Monday of April in remembrance and recognition of the Revolutionary War and the creation of the United States of America; and

WHEREAS, the Revolutionary War was fought to secure our natural rights and birthed a nation deriving its power from the consent of the governed; and

WHEREAS, it is right to honor and remember those who risked their lives, their fortunes and their sacred honor to secure our freedoms that we might appreciate the value of those freedoms and maintain the American traditions of freedom and self-governance; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of North Dakota possess an abiding love of state and country, and Patriots' Day is an opportunity to celebrate and give thanks for our country's unique blessings.

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim  
April 17, 2023, PATRIOTS' DAY in the State of North Dakota.



*Doug Burgum*  
GOVERNOR

*Michael Howe*  
SECRETARY OF STATE

ATTEST: