

PROCLAMATION PRINCIPALS MONTH OCTOBER 2018

WHEREAS, principals are expected to be educational visionaries, instructional leaders, assessment experts, disciplinarians, community builders, public relations experts, budget analysts, facility managers, special programs administrators and guardians of various legal, contractual and policy mandates and initiatives, as well as being entrusted with the education and development of young people, the most valuable resource; and

WHEREAS, the vision, dedication and determination of a principal provides the mobilizing force behind any school reform effort; and

WHEREAS, the National Association of Elementary School Principals, the American Federation of School Administrators, and the National Association of Secondary School Principals, working with the U.S. Congress, designate October 2018 "National Principals Month"; and

WHEREAS, the State of North Dakota honors exemplary elementary and middle level public, private and independent school leaders committed to serving students from pre-kindergarten to grade eight (pre-K-8) in their profession; and

WHEREAS, the State of North Dakota recognizes outstanding middle level and high school principals who have succeeded in providing high-quality learning opportunities for students, as well as their exemplary contributions to the profession; and

WHEREAS, to honor and recognize the contribution of all school principals and assistant principals at all grade levels to the success of students in North Dakota elementary and secondary schools; and to encourage residents of North Dakota to observe "Principals Month" with appropriate ceremonies and activities that promote awareness of school leadership's role in ensuring that every child has access to a high-quality education.

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim October 2018, **PRINCIPALS MONTH** in the State of North Dakota.

Doug Burgum

ATTEST:

Alvin A. Jaeger Secretary of State