

# STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

## PROCLAMATION

### RECOVERY MONTH SEPTEMBER 2023

WHEREAS, recognizing and celebrating the millions of people and families in recovery is a vital part of removing the stigma toward people impacted by behavioral health conditions; and

WHEREAS, recovery from behavioral health conditions is an essential part of the health and wellness of North Dakota citizens; and

WHEREAS, prevention of substance use disorders, mental health conditions and brain injury does work and treatment is effective; and

WHEREAS, behavioral health disorders affect all communities in North Dakota, and with compassion, support and an abundance of treatment and recovery options, those impacted can improve their health and overall wellness; and

WHEREAS, the individual and shared experience of people and families in recovery are an asset and resource; and

WHEREAS, strengthening recovery-oriented systems of care in North Dakota is essential to building resilient and healthy communities and achieving a unified and coordinated response to those seeking help.

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim  
September 2023, RECOVERY MONTH in the State of North Dakota.



A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Doug Burgum".

Doug Burgum  
GOVERNOR

ATTEST: A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Michael Howe".

Michael Howe  
SECRETARY OF STATE