

# STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

## PROCLAMATION

### REGISTERED APPRENTICESHIP AWARENESS MONTH

NOVEMBER 2019

### APPRENTICESHIP WEEK

NOVEMBER 11-17, 2019

WHEREAS, North Dakota recognizes the demand for a workforce with postsecondary education credentials and the ability to respond immediately to changing economic and business needs; and

WHEREAS, registered apprenticeships are a vital component of talent development in many high-demand and high-growth sectors by using on-the-job learning, combined with related technical instruction, enhancing the economic outlook of our state by producing an educated, well-trained, highly skilled and competitive workforce; and

WHEREAS, registered apprenticeship programs enhance economic vitality and lead to a stronger economic environment while apprentices demonstrate diligence, perseverance and teamwork each day as they become more knowledgeable, capable and credentialed members of the workforce; and

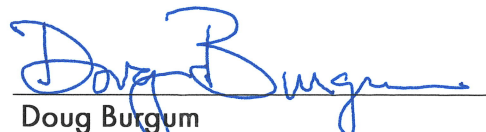
WHEREAS, in 2019, we celebrate the 82<sup>nd</sup> anniversary of the enactment of the Fitzgerald Act of 1937, the first national effort to develop a comprehensive system of apprenticeship training in the United States; this landmark legislation has resulted in North Dakota currently having 101 active apprenticeship programs, 1,250 apprentices and approximately 60 occupations enrolled in registered apprenticeship programs; and

WHEREAS, in 2019, the NDSCS Apprenticeship-ND Program will celebrate its 51<sup>st</sup> year of service in the area of related instruction to registered apprentices; and in 2019 Apprenticeship-ND provided over 50,000 hours of related instruction to registered apprentices who will gain post-secondary education, while completing on-the-job training, benefiting employers, the economy, the apprentices and stakeholders; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Labor Office of Apprenticeship, the North Dakota Department of Commerce, Job Service North Dakota and the North Dakota Department of Career and Technical Education, along with secondary and post-secondary educational institutions are working diligently to promote and expand registered apprenticeship opportunities within North Dakota.

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim  
November 2019, REGISTERED APPRENTICESHIP AWARENESS MONTH and  
November 11-17, 2019, APPRENTICESHIP WEEK in the State of North Dakota.



  
Doug Burgum  
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:   
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SECRETARY OF STATE