

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

PROCLAMATION

RESIDENTS' RIGHTS MONTH OCTOBER 2023

WHEREAS, there are 1.3 million individuals living in 15,600 nursing homes in the United States, and over 800,000 individuals living in 28,900 assisted living/residential care facilities across the nation; and

WHEREAS, the federal Nursing Home Reform Act of 1987 guarantees residents their individual rights in order to promote and maintain their dignity and autonomy; and

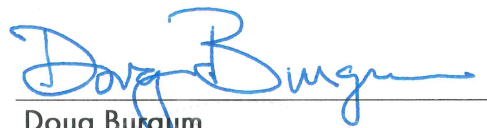
WHEREAS, all residents should be aware of their rights so they may be empowered to live with dignity and self-determination; and

WHEREAS, we wish to honor and celebrate these citizens, to recognize their rich individuality and reaffirm their right to vote and participate politically, including the right to have a say in their care; and

WHEREAS, individuals and groups across the country will be celebrating Residents' Rights Month with the theme "Amplify Our Voices" a community of long-term care residents coming together to make their voices heard.

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim
October 2023, RESIDENTS' RIGHTS MONTH in the State of North Dakota.




Doug Burgum
GOVERNOR

ATTEST: 
Michael Howe
SECRETARY OF STATE