STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

PROCLAMATION

SAFE BOATING WEEK
MAY 21-27, 2022

WHEREAS, Safe Boating Week is observed in North Dakota and nationally to bring attention to important life-saving tips for recreational boaters so that they can have a safer, more fun experience out on the water throughout the year; and

WHEREAS, on average, 650 people die each year in boating-related accidents in the United States and 75 percent of these are fatalities caused by drowning; and

WHEREAS, the vast majority of these accidents are caused by human error or poor judgment and not by the boat, equipment or environmental factors; and

WHEREAS, a significant number of boaters who lose their lives by drowning each year would be alive today had they worn their life jackets; and

WHEREAS, North Dakotans who boat are encouraged to practice safe boating habits and wear a life jacket at all times while boating.

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim May 21-27, 2022, SAFE BOATING WEEK in the State of North Dakota.

Doug Burgum
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:
Alvin A. Jaeger
SECRETARY OF STATE