

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

PROCLAMATION

SEARCH AND RESCUE AWARENESS WEEK

MAY 21-26, 2023

WHEREAS, people in North Dakota who find themselves in imminent danger or distress or who become lost, especially in remote areas, depend on search and rescue services; and

WHEREAS, volunteers within North Dakota, operating under the direction of law enforcement, are part of nonprofit organizations who contribute their time, skills and equipment to help those in need; and

WHEREAS, the volunteers within volunteer search and rescue organizations provide a valuable public service by promoting public education on outdoor and backcountry safety and assisting law enforcement communities with crime scene investigations; and

WHEREAS, the volunteers within North Dakota search and rescue teams maintain the highest proficiency in search and rescue tactics, techniques and operations; and

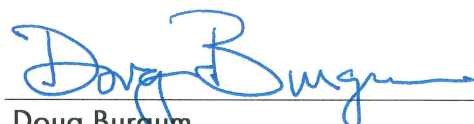
WHEREAS, the volunteers within these volunteer search and rescue organizations stand ready and able 24/7 to respond to incidents of missing children and elderly, injured hikers, mountain bikers, horseback riders, hunters and a variety of outdoor enthusiasts and take time away from their work and families; and

WHEREAS, without these disciplines and trained volunteers many incidents and cases would go without the necessary skills and abilities needed for an outcome that is as positive as possible; and

WHEREAS, the residents who call North Dakota home and the visitors of North Dakota are offered an additional layer of safety as they enjoy all that our state has to offer, thanks to the readiness and unselfish dedication of these volunteers who live by the motto, "That Others May Live."

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim
May 21-26, 2023, SEARCH AND RESCUE AWARENESS WEEK in the
State of North Dakota.




Doug Burgum
GOVERNOR

ATTEST: 
Michael Howe
SECRETARY OF STATE