

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

PROCLAMATION

SMALL BUSINESS WEEK

MAY 1-7, 2022

WHEREAS, America's strongest economic growth in almost 40 years has been driven by the resilience of our small businesses who, despite a global pandemic, continue to pioneer innovative solutions to our country's greatest challenges and create opportunities for families and workers; and

WHEREAS, from the storefront shops that anchor Main Street to the high-tech startups that keep America on the cutting edge to the small manufacturers driving our competitiveness on the global stage, small businesses are the backbone of our economy and the cornerstones of our nation's promise; and

WHEREAS, when we support small business, jobs are created, and local communities preserve their unique culture; and

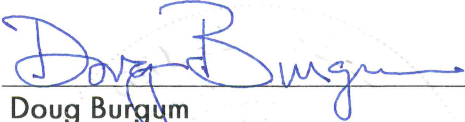
WHEREAS, because this country's 32.5 million small businesses create nearly two out of three jobs in our economy, we cannot resolve ourselves to create jobs and spur economic growth in America without discussing ways to support our entrepreneurs; and

WHEREAS, the President of the United States has proclaimed National Small Business Week every year since 1963 to highlight the programs and services available to entrepreneurs through the U.S. Small Business Administration and other government agencies; and

WHEREAS, North Dakota supports and joins in this national effort to help America's small businesses do what they do best – grow their business, create jobs and ensure that our local communities remain as vibrant tomorrow as they are today.

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim
May 1-7, 2022, **SMALL BUSINESS WEEK** in the State of North Dakota.




Doug Burgum
GOVERNOR

ATTEST: 
Alvin A. Jaeger
SECRETARY OF STATE