



State of  
**North Dakota**  
*Office of the Governor*

**Doug Burgum**  
*Governor*

PROCLAMATION  
**SMALL BUSINESS WEEK**  
MAY 5-11, 2019

**WHEREAS**, America's progress has been driven by pioneers who think big, take risks and work hard; and

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

**WHEREAS**, small business owners and Main Street businesses have energy and a passion for what they do; and

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

**WHEREAS**, the United States' 30 million small businesses create nearly two out of three net new 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**, the State of 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 our communities remain as vibrant tomorrow as they are today.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim May 5-11, 2019, **SMALL BUSINESS WEEK** in the State of North Dakota.

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Doug Burgum  
Governor

ATTEST:

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Alvin A. Jaeger  
Secretary of State