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**North Dakota**

*Office of the Governor*

**Doug Burgum**  
*Governor*

PROCLAMATION  
**SOCIAL WORK MONTH**  
MARCH 2019

**WHEREAS**, the social work profession is dedicated to enhancing well-being and helping meet the basic needs of all people, especially those who are vulnerable, oppressed and living in poverty; and

**WHEREAS**, the social work profession is expected to grow faster than average over the next seven years, with more than 682,000 people employed as social workers by 2026; and

**WHEREAS**, social workers elevate and empower people, giving them the ability to solve problems, cope with personal roadblocks and get the resources they need to succeed; and

**WHEREAS**, the social work profession is deeply woven into our society with social workers active in government, schools, universities, social service agencies, communities, corporations, the military and in health care and mental health care settings; and

**WHEREAS**, social workers travel across the nation and world to help people in crisis overcome issues such as death and grief, epidemics, environmental pollution and natural disasters such as wildfires, hurricanes and floods; and

**WHEREAS**, the social work profession for more than a century has been on the cutting edge of helping create changes to make our society a better place to live, including voting rights, improved workplace safety and social programs that ameliorate poverty and hunger; and

**WHEREAS**, social workers will continue to contribute to the success of our state and nation as they support and protect the most vulnerable among us.

**NOW THEREFORE**, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim March 2019, **SOCIAL WORK MONTH** in the State of North Dakota.

  
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Doug Burgum  
Governor

ATTEST:

  
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Alvin A. Jaeger  
Secretary of State