



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

**Doug Burgum**  
*Governor*

PROCLAMATION  
**NORTH DAKOTA TRAVEL AND TOURISM WEEK**  
MAY 6-10, 2018

**WHEREAS**, travel is among the largest private-sector employers in the United States, supporting 15.6 million jobs in 2017, including 8.8 million directly in the travel industry and 6.8 million in support industries; and

**WHEREAS**, tourism in North Dakota is the third-largest industry and important to our diversified economy; and

**WHEREAS**, travel in North Dakota attracts 22 million visitors who spent \$3.1 billion in North Dakota; and

**WHEREAS**, travel provided employment for more than 42,614 people in North Dakota, generating a payroll of \$1.3 billion; and


**WHEREAS**, travel generated \$327 million in local and state taxes paid by visitors creating a resident tax savings of \$1,092 per household; and

**WHEREAS**, tourism is the front door for economic growth, and visitors help sustain our healthy and vibrant communities; and

**WHEREAS**, travel is impactful statewide, generating revenue through visitor spending in all 53 counties; and

**WHEREAS**, given these significant contributions to North Dakota's economy and the social and cultural well-being of the citizens of North Dakota, it is fitting that we recognize the importance of the state's travel and tourism industry.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim May 6-10, 2018, **NORTH DAKOTA TRAVEL AND TOURISM WEEK** in the State of North Dakota.

  
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Doug Burgum  
Governor

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Alvin A. Jaeger  
Secretary of State