## NORTH DAKOTA

## PROCLAMATION ===

## VOLUNTEER WEEK APRIL 19-25, 2020

WHEREAS, every citizen can effect positive change with any volunteer action no matter how big or small; and

WHEREAS, in North Dakota, 218,019 people volunteer annually, making North Dakota 11th in the nation for volunteerism; and

WHEREAS, in North Dakota, with 15.6 million hours of voluntary service annually, the value of those volunteer hours totals \$377.8 million in contributed services; and

WHEREAS, countless North Dakotans enhance the quality of life of others by volunteering with service organizations, in schools, places of worship, hospitals, youth groups and with other organizations that benefit our communities; and

WHEREAS, volunteers working in communities utilize their time and talent daily to make a real, positive difference in the lives of children, adults and the elderly; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting to honor the many individuals and organizations who lend their time, skill and effort to making our communities better places; and

WHEREAS, in North Dakota and all over the nation, volunteers are recognized with gratitude for their commitment to service and their communities.

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim April 19-25, 2020, VOLUNTEER WEEK in the State of North Dakota.

ON NORTH OF

Doug Burgum GOVERNOR

Alvin A. Jaeger SECRETARY OF STATE