## NORTH DAKOTA

## PROCLAMATION

## WORLD DAY OF REMEMBRANCE FOR ROAD TRAFFIC VICTIMS

NOVEMBER 19, 2021

WHEREAS, motor vehicle crashes are the leading cause of injury-related death in North Dakota and nearly 94% of all motor vehicle crashes are attributable to preventable human behavior; and

WHEREAS, motor vehicle crash fatalities in North Dakota can be reduced to zero if every driver and vehicle occupant practices personal responsibility while traveling on North Dakota roads; and

WHEREAS, personal responsibility includes always wearing a seat belt, transporting children in child passenger safety seats appropriate for age, height and weight, obeying posted speed limits and always driving sober and distraction-free; and

WHEREAS, zero fatalities is the only acceptable number when it comes to your life and the lives of your family and friends; and

WHEREAS, events such as World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims in North Dakota raise awareness of the impact of road traffic accidents on survivors, as well as on the friends and family of those lives lost; and

WHEREAS, Vision Zero sets the goal of zero fatalities and serious injuries on North Dakota roads.

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim November 19, 2021, WORLD DAY OF REMEMBRANCE FOR ROAD TRAFFIC VICTIMS in the State of North Dakota.

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Doug Burgum GOVERNOR

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