



— State of —
North Dakota
Office of the Governor

Doug Burgum
Governor

PROCLAMATION
WORLD WAR I REMEMBRANCE DAY
NOVEMBER 11, 2018

WHEREAS, a century ago millions of American families sent their sons and daughters off to World War I; and

WHEREAS, on the home front, citizens sacrificed and worked together to bring to bear the resources of our entire nation for the war effort. On the battlefield, brave Americans faced incredible challenges, including the struggles of trench warfare, in the name of freedom and democracy; and

WHEREAS, in total 4.7 million brave American men and women served during World War I, 116,516 Americans gave their lives in the effort and more than 200,000 were wounded; and

WHEREAS, more than 28,000 women and men from North Dakota served during World War I and nearly 1,400 North Dakotans from every background and corner of the state made the ultimate sacrifice; and

WHEREAS, in November 2018 the world will commemorate the 100th anniversary of the Armistice that ended the fighting in World War I at 11:00 a.m. November 11, 1918 – the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month; and

WHEREAS, the tolling of bells is a traditional expression of honor and remembrance; and

WHEREAS, North Dakota joins the United States World War I Centennial Commission in calling upon all Americans across the nation to toll bells 21 times in remembrance of those who served in World War I at 11:00 a.m. on November 11, 2018, and encourages North Dakotans to observe this act of respect and remembrance; and

WHEREAS, all North Dakota County Commissions, in conjunction with their local County Veterans Service Officers and local veterans groups, are encouraged to read aloud the names of those who died from each county from the steps of their local county courthouse after the bells have tolled 21 times.

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim November 11, 2018, **WORLD WAR I REMEMBRANCE DAY** in the State of North Dakota.


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ATTEST:


Alvin A. Jaeger
Secretary of State