

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

PROCLAMATION

YOUTH APPRENTICESHIP WEEK

MAY 5-11, 2024

WHEREAS, Youth Apprenticeships play a vital role in providing job opportunities and pathways to the people of North Dakota by allowing youth apprentices to earn while they learn and advance into good, quality jobs and well-paying careers and the ability to advance in those careers; and

WHEREAS, Youth Apprenticeship Week is designed to increase awareness of registered apprenticeships among youth, educators, parents, state agencies, workforce partners and industry, and to highlight the benefits of apprenticeships as a pathway to careers; and

WHEREAS, this observance gives apprenticeship sponsors, career and technical education (CTE) programs, employers, labor unions, workforce agencies and other diverse partners the opportunity to showcase the value of registered apprenticeship programs for youth and gives youth apprentices a platform to highlight their apprenticeship experience; and

WHEREAS, the advancement and well-being of North Dakota depends upon the incoming workforce's ability to jumpstart their career in a way that helps them exceed their goals and help their communities progress; and

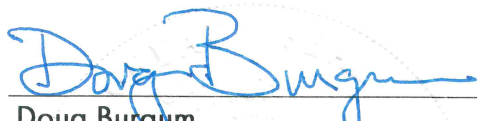
WHEREAS, registered apprenticeship programs are uniquely able to meet the changing demands of the North Dakota economy and provide a path for all qualified individuals to become apprentices and contribute to North Dakota and our nation's workforce; and

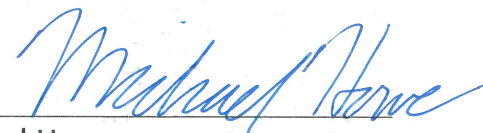
WHEREAS, the state of North Dakota recognizes that both youth apprenticeship and other registered apprenticeship programs in general are proven, industry-driven training models that foster improvements in job quality while creating access to good-paying, family-sustaining jobs for all, starting with youth and young adults; and

WHEREAS, North Dakota remains committed to strengthening talent development pipelines for all industry sectors that simultaneously open the doors of opportunity to youth and young adults – our future workforce.

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim
May 5-11, 2024, **YOUTH APPRENTICESHIP WEEK** in the State of North Dakota.




Doug Burgum
GOVERNOR

ATTEST: 
Michael Howe
SECRETARY OF STATE