## STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

## ELECTRICAL SAFETY MONTH

PROCLAMATIO

WHEREAS, hundreds of people die and thousands are injured each year in the United States as a result of electrical-related incidents, and an average of two electrical-related deaths occur in the United States daily; and

WHEREAS, on average, there are 390 civilian deaths related to electrical home structure fires each year, and property damage resulting from home fires caused by electrical failure or malfunction amounts to more than \$1.4 billion annually; and

WHEREAS, following basic electrical safety precautions can help prevent thousands of people from being injured or killed each year; and

WHEREAS, North Dakotans are encouraged to inspect their homes and workplaces for possible electrical hazards; and

WHEREAS, North Dakotans are advised to protect their homes and families with the latest safety technology, such as ground-fault circuit interrupters, arc-fault circuit interrupters, surge protective devices and tamper-resistant receptacles; and

WHEREAS, North Dakotans are urged to install, test and properly maintain adequate numbers of smoke alarms in their homes and businesses.

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim May 2024, ELECTRICAL SAFETY MONTH in the State of North Dakota.



Doug Burgum

GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

Michael Howe SECRETARY OF STATE