

# STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

## PROCLAMATION

### ALLOIMMUNIZATION AND HDFN AWARENESS DAY MARCH 12, 2024

WHEREAS, Alloimmunization and Hemolytic Disease of the Fetus and Newborn (HDFN), considered a rare disease, is known to cause fetal anemia, hydrops, intrauterine fetal demise, neonatal anemia, jaundice and death; and

WHEREAS, families affected by Alloimmunization and HDFN often experience problems of diagnosis and referral delay, difficulty finding a medical expert, and limited access to high-quality care and treatment; and

WHEREAS, ongoing research continues to yield crucial advancements in disease prevention and treatment of Alloimmunization and HDFN; and

WHEREAS, many families affected by Alloimmunization and HDFN shoulder a significant burden in advocating for their babies and raising awareness of this rare disease diagnosis; and

WHEREAS, the tragedy of pregnancy and infant loss exacts a terrible, emotional toll on the mother; and

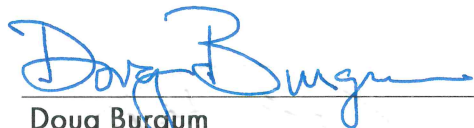
WHEREAS, North Dakota wishes to acknowledge the existence of the babies and infants that died far too soon; and

WHEREAS, increased awareness of the causes and impacts surrounding this rare pregnancy disease may lead to greater understanding, support and resources in communities across the state; and

WHEREAS, all residents of North Dakota are encouraged to participate and spread the word about Alloimmunization and HDFN Awareness Day.

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim  
March 12, 2024, **ALLOIMMUNIZATION AND HDFN AWARENESS DAY** in the State of  
North Dakota.



  
Doug Burgum  
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:   
Michael Howe  
SECRETARY OF STATE