

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

PROCLAMATION

AMNIOTIC FLUID EMBOLISM AWARENESS DAY MARCH 27, 2024

WHEREAS, an amniotic fluid embolism (AFE) occurs when amniotic fluid, fetal cells or other debris enters the mother's bloodstream and causes an allergic-like reaction to the debris that has entered the circulatory system during childbirth, a normal part of the birth process; and

WHEREAS, the United States of America has the highest rate of maternal mortality among the developed nations of the world; and

WHEREAS, AFE is a leading cause of maternal mortality, affecting 2 to 8 per 100,000 births; and

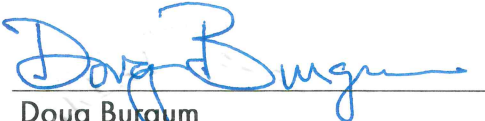
WHEREAS, North Dakota had a maternal mortality rate of 45 per 100,000 live births in 2022; and

WHEREAS, AFE Foundation, working in collaboration with key stakeholders in North Dakota, provides meaningful education and life-saving skills to properly prepare health care providers to manage and treat patients, increase the lives saved and gain submissions to the AFE Registry and Biorepository; and

WHEREAS, awareness of AFE and continued data collection will promote understanding of this disorder, expansive research for an effective treatment and an increase in the number of lives that can be saved.

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim
March 27, 2024, AMNIOTIC FLUID EMBOLISM AWARENESS DAY in the State of North
Dakota.




Doug Burgum
GOVERNOR

ATTEST: 
Michael Howe
SECRETARY OF STATE