State of
North Dakota
Office of the Governor

John Hoeven
Governor

PROCLAMATION
MONTH OF THE MILITARY CHILD
APRIL 2009

WHEREAS, thousands of brave Americans are demonstrating their courage and commitment to freedom by serving in the Armed Forces of the United States of America here at home and abroad; and

WHEREAS, more than 40 percent of these heroes have left families with children behind in order to serve this great nation; and

WHEREAS, more than one million of America's children have at least one parent currently serving active military duty; and

WHEREAS, these children are a source of pride and honor for us all, and it is only fitting that we take time to recognize their contributions, celebrate their spirit, and let our men and women in uniform know that while they are taking care of us, we are taking care of their children; and

WHEREAS, North Dakotans are encouraged to pay tribute to our military children for their commitment, their struggles and their unconditional support of our service members because when parents serve in the military, their kids serve too.

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim April 2009, **MONTH OF THE MILITARY CHILD** in the state of North Dakota.

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