



— State of —
North Dakota
Office of the Governor

John Hoeven
Governor

PROCLAMATION
DAY OF RECOGNITION
FLOOD FIGHT AND RECOVERY EFFORTS
JUNE 14, 2009

WHEREAS, record amounts of snowfall were followed by catastrophic flooding in the spring of 2009 on the Red, Missouri, Souris, Cannonball, James, Pipestem, Sheyenne, Knife, Heart, Des Lacs and Park rivers, Big Beaver Creek, Devils Lake, and other rivers, creeks and lakes throughout the state; and

WHEREAS, flood fighting efforts involved the North Dakota National Guard, Army, Coast Guard, Air Force, Army Corps of Engineers, state agencies, county and city leaders and employees, and the people of North Dakota, including many college and high school students, as well as thousands of other volunteers; and

WHEREAS, our National Guard and volunteers were aided in the flood fighting efforts by supportive employers and educational institutions; and

WHEREAS, flood fighting efforts were organized and supported by fraternal and service organizations, employers, churches and other religious organizations, and the American Red Cross, Salvation Army and other non-profit organizations by providing food, shelter and support for the flood fighting efforts; and

WHEREAS, the cleanup process is being completed by organizations and individuals moved to help their neighbors in a time of need, including Operation Blessing, the Billy Graham Rapid Response Team, Samaritan's Purse, the Nechama Jewish Response Team, local churches and other groups; and


WHEREAS, the flood fighting and recovery still continue throughout North Dakota, and state, local and federal organizations and volunteers are doing all they can to assist in those efforts.

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim June 14, 2009, a **DAY OF RECOGNITION** in the state of North Dakota to express recognition of and appreciation for the great and noble efforts to fight and clean up after the floods during the spring of 2009.



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ATTEST:



Alvin A. Jaeger
Secretary of State