State of
North Dakota
Office of the Governor

Jack Dalrymple
Governor

PROCLAMATION
USS NORTH DAKOTA DAY
JANUARY 11, 2013

WHEREAS, the USS NORTH DAKOTA (SSN-784), the second ship named for the Great State of North Dakota, is currently under construction in Groton, Connecticut; and

WHEREAS, the first USS NORTH DAKOTA (BB-29) was the first steam turbine driven ship in the U.S. Navy, serving from 1910 until 1923; and

WHEREAS, the USS NORTH DAKOTA (SSN-784) will represent the most advanced Virginia-Class nuclear powered attack submarine in the world when commissioned in 2014; and

WHEREAS, the USS NORTH DAKOTA (SSN-784) is a source of pride and honor for us all; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting to recognize our boat and her crew and to celebrate this outstanding addition to the U.S. Navy; and

WHEREAS, USS NORTH DAKOTA Day provides an opportunity to pay tribute to our boat and her crew; and

WHEREAS, the people of North Dakota are encouraged to join together in observation of this day by becoming aware of this impressive addition to the U.S. Navy and by committing to support the USS NORTH DAKOTA (SSN-784) in spirit and action through her final construction and commissioning in 2014, and throughout her 33-year lifespan.

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim January 11, 2013, **USS NORTH DAKOTA DAY** in the state of North Dakota.

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ATTEST:

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