NORTH DAKOTA

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THERAPY ANIMAL DAY

APRIL 30, 2025

 $\mathsf{WHEREAS}$, there are thousands of therapy animals serving in communities across the United States; and

WHEREAS, therapy animals play an essential role in improving human health and well-being through the human-animal bond; and

WHEREAS, therapy animals make millions of visits per year in settings such as hospitals, nursing homes, schools and workplaces; and

WHEREAS, therapy animal teams interact with a variety of people throughout the North Dakota community including veterans, seniors, patients, students and community workforces; and

WHEREAS, these exceptional therapy animals who partner with their human companions bring comfort and healing to those in need; and

WHEREAS, North Dakota citizens are encouraged to celebrate our therapy animals and their human handlers.

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim April 30, 2025, THERAPY ANIMAL DAY in the State of North Dakota.

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Kelly Armstrong
GOVERNOR

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SECRETARY OF STATE