



EXECUTIVE ORDER 2025-01

WHEREAS, on June 21, 2016, Executive Order 2016-02 directed the continuation of the Governor's Prevention Advisory Council on Drugs and Alcohol to provide recommendations to the Governor for the purpose of improving the delivery of prevention services that reduce problems resulting from destructive substance abuse decisions; and,

WHEREAS, on November 7, 2017, Executive Order 2017-19 established the Task Force for Higher Education Governance to evaluate the governance structure of higher education in North Dakota, determine whether the collective system of higher education is operating to its fullest potential, furthering the educational and workforce needs of the state, and provide recommendations outlining proposed changes to the governance structure that promote effective operations and desired results; and,

WHEREAS, on October 25, 2018, Executive Order 2018-07 established the Task Force for Veterans Affairs to examine the current structure of veterans affairs governance and service delivery, and evaluate strengths and weaknesses in the current system; identify areas for increased collaboration, communication and efficiencies in and among existing programs, state agencies and other resources utilized for the service of veterans in the state; and provide recommendations to improve the current governance structure and services for veterans in North Dakota; and,

WHEREAS, on May 7, 2019, Executive Order 2019-05 established the North Dakota Census 2020 Complete Count Task Force to plan and implement statewide outreach campaigns that raise awareness of the Census and to ensure an accurate and complete count of all North Dakota residents; and,

WHEREAS, on September 8, 2023, Executive Order 2023-08 established the Teacher Retention and Recruitment Task Force to establish recommendations to increase recruitment to the teaching profession, improve teacher preparation programs across the state, review and evaluate pathways to licensure, review teacher compensation and contracts, and review best practices for teacher evaluation.

NOW, THEREFORE, Kelly Armstrong, as Governor of North Dakota, by the authority vested in Article V, Section 1 of the North Dakota Constitution, does hereby declare the duties and responsibilities of the Governor's Prevention Advisory Council on Drugs and Alcohol, the Task Force for Higher Education Governance, the Task Force for Veterans

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Affairs, the North Dakota Census 2020 Complete Count Task Force, and the Teacher Retention and Recruitment Task Force to have been achieved and their work complete.

Executive Order 2016-02, Executive Order 2017-19, Executive Order 2018-07, Executive Order 2019-05, and Executive Order 2023-08, have met the intended objectives, are no longer necessary, and are therefore rescinded.

This order is issued under Article V, Section 1 of the North Dakota Constitution.

Executed at Bismarck, North Dakota, this day of January 2025.

Kelly Armstrong
Governor

ATTEST:

Michael Howe
Secretary of State