State of
North Dakota
Office of the Governor

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PROCLAMATION
SEVERE SUMMER WEATHER AWARENESS WEEK
APRIL 21-25, 2008

WHEREAS, severe summer storms can cause damaging winds, hail, tornadoes, wildfires, flash flooding, hazardous materials releases and power outages, and have the potential to cause serious property damage, injury and death; and

WHEREAS, experience has demonstrated that a well informed and prepared public can better cope with and survive life threatening severe summer storms; and

WHEREAS, individuals, families, schools, and businesses in North Dakota are encouraged to develop a disaster plan identifying protective actions to follow when severe weather strikes; and

WHEREAS, the National Weather Service and the North Dakota Department of Emergency Services are collaborating with local emergency managers, state, local and tribal officials, volunteer agencies and businesses to inform and educate the public on preparation for potential severe weather hazards and disasters this summer may bring; and

WHEREAS, North Dakotans are encouraged to become informed of available community programs and warning systems, including outdoor siren warnings, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration all-hazard radios, the emergency alert system, and other radio and television warning broadcasts, along with Community Emergency Response Team training and Storm Ready recognition for their communities.

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim April 21-25, 2008, **SEVERE SUMMER WEATHER AWARENESS WEEK** in the state of North Dakota.

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