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North Dakota
Office of the Governor

Jack Dalrymple
Governor

PROCLAMATION
ANIMAL AGRICULTURE AWARENESS WEEK
MAY 15-21, 2016

WHEREAS, North Dakota was founded on agriculture and it continues to be one of the state's strongest industries; and

WHEREAS, North Dakota agriculture provides healthy, wholesome food to families locally and around the world; and

WHEREAS, farm families have long raised animals alongside crops, and agriculture remains a vital part of North Dakota's economy because of livestock and crop diversification; and

WHEREAS, animal agriculture in North Dakota represents approximately \$2.6 billion in revenues, with an economic impact of just over \$12 billion on main street North Dakota; and

WHEREAS, animal agriculture demonstrates a commitment to animal welfare, environmental stewardship, and the economic and social vitality of North Dakota; and

WHEREAS, North Dakotans, along with other residents of the United States and global citizens, are encouraged to recognize the positive impact animal agriculture has on daily life.

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim May 15-21, 2016, **ANIMAL AGRICULTURE AWARENESS WEEK** in the state of North Dakota.


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ATTEST:


Alvin A. Jaeger
Secretary of State