

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, The City of Fargo is home to North Dakota State University and the American Indian Public Health Resource Center as part of the Department of Public Health within the College of Health Professions, which offers the first-ever Master of Public Health program with an American Indian Public Health specialization track in the United States; and

WHEREAS, The NDSU Department of Public Health in collaboration with the NDSU Public Health Association hosted the inaugural American Indian Public Health Day on Monday April 4, 2016 with holistic health-focused events, kicking off NDSU's Public Health Week held in conjunction with the American Public Health Association's Annual Public Health Week; and

WHEREAS, American Indians and Alaska Natives suffer from some of the highest health disparities in the United States and promoting awareness of American Indian Public Health as a subfield of study in Public Health is necessary to improve the health status of the American Indians and Alaska Natives population; and

WHEREAS, The City of Fargo remains committed to efforts that promote the well-being of the Fargo American Indian and indigenous community; and

WHEREAS, The City of Fargo joins with the American Indian Public Health Resource Center at NDSU, the National Indian Health Board and other national entities advocating for health equity for American Indians; and

WHEREAS, The City of Fargo understands that in order to achieve health equity for American Indians and Alaska Natives, government entities and other health institutions must develop policies and practices to reduce American Indians and Alaska Natives health inequities through education, research and public health programming; and

WHEREAS, It is fitting for the City of Fargo to join with NDSU American Indian Public Health students to promote a greater awareness of these disparities in Native communities and call for more resources and action to close the equity gap.

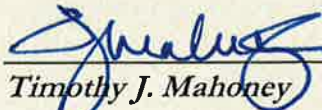
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED I, Timothy J. Mahoney, Mayor of the City of Fargo, do hereby proclaim Wednesday, April 4, 2018 as

AMERICAN INDIAN PUBLIC HEALTH DAY

in the City of Fargo, North Dakota.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Fargo, North Dakota to be affixed this 26th day of March, 2018.





Timothy J. Mahoney
Mayor
Fargo, North Dakota