ND United President Nick Archuleta Statement on COVID-19 Actions

Statement by North Dakota United President Nick Archuleta on Gov. Doug Burgum’s executive actions to slow the spread of COVID-19:

“On behalf of North Dakota United’s 11,500 members, I want to thank Gov. Doug Burgum for taking important and decisive action to mitigate the horrendous effects of the Coronavirus and COVID-19.

“The Governor’s actions on Friday evening underscored his commitment to slow the spread of Coronavirus and set our state on a course to defeat the greatest threat to North Dakota’s health, our economy, our system of education and our quality of life.

“If all North Dakotans embrace the Governor’s mandate, we can bend the rate of infection, hospitalizations and COVID-19 related deaths down to a level we can all live with as vaccines are developed and made readily available. North Dakota United is asking all North Dakotans to follow these guidelines for as long as they are in place. Wearing a mask in public, practicing effective hand hygiene and social distancing are proven to reduce the rate of Coronavirus infection. And in so doing, you will be honoring the work of North Dakota’s doctors, nurses, teachers, public employees and others who are working tirelessly on the frontlines to provide vital services to all North Dakotans.

“Additionally, ND United wishes to thank all the teachers, education support professionals, public employees, nurses and long-term care employees who stepped up to voice their concern. We know it is not always easy to step out of your comfort zones to voice your views, but sometimes it is as necessary as oxygen. Well done!”