



The Honorable Doug Burgum
Governor of North Dakota
600 East Boulevard Avenue
Bismarck, North Dakota 58505

March 20, 2020

Dear Governor Burgum,

On behalf of Americans for Prosperity and our activists across North Dakota, we commend you for your swift and targeted action to address the legitimate public safety and economic challenges associated with the spread of the novel coronavirus.

While state and local officials across the country are looking for ways to address concerns and solve the various challenges arising from this unprecedented emergency, your executive leadership stands out.

Americans for Prosperity on March 17 issued a [guidance memo](#) for state-based reforms that policymakers should adopt to respond to the spread of COVID-19 and expand access to critical health care services for those who need it.

In accordance with the memo, Americans for Prosperity applauds your recent executive order that will move our state closer to responding to the challenges posed by COVID-19:

- **By lifting licensing barriers to allow health care providers to work in North Dakota, regardless of the state in which they are licensed,** medical professionals are able to fully provide the services they are trained for and are able to increase access to health care services.
- **By removing regulatory barriers to telehealth and telemedicine for all patients, including those on public health programs such as Medicaid,** North Dakota will allow medical professionals to provide services to a larger number of patients while also limiting the potential spread of the virus which could result from traditional, in-person office visits.

Thank you for your swift leadership in addressing this public health emergency effectively. We are hopeful that together, we will effectively overcome the challenges we face.

Sincerely,
Mike Fedorchak
State Director
Americans for Prosperity North Dakota