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***Concerned Women for America of North Dakota Applauds
Gov. Burgum for Standing on the Side of Life***

Bismarck, North Dakota – Concerned Women for America (CWA) of North Dakota is grateful for Gov. Doug Burgum’s continued record of signing into law pro-life legislation.

Senate Bill 2030, with appropriations for challenge grant programs at North Dakota’s publicly funded colleges and universities, obligates the institutions to comply with the pro-life provisions to qualify for the challenge grant funds. By signing the bill into law, Gov. Burgum continues North Dakota’s legacy of strong pro-life public policies. SB 2030 confirmed existing pro-life policy from 2011: “An agency of the state may not fund, endorse, or support any program that, between normal childbirth and abortion, does not give preference, encouragement, and support to normal childbirth.”

Although the section of SB 2030 covering the penalty clause was line-item vetoed by Gov. Burgum, Concerned Women for America (CWA) of North Dakota is grateful the North Dakota University System will have to decide whether or not to partner with an abortion provider to receive tax-payer dollars through the challenge grant fund.

CWA of North Dakota State Director Linda Thorson, speaking for Concerned Women for America LAC, had this to say: “We thank Gov. Burgum for signing into law SB 2030 relating to the successful challenge grant program and for his support of the pro-life policy prohibiting taxpayer dollars from funding any organization which promotes or performs abortions.”

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