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## **North Dakota Mill Celebrates 100 Years of Progress, Increases Milling Capacity**

Grand Forks, ND – The North Dakota Industrial Commission joined employees of the North Dakota Mill, local officials, customers and suppliers today to celebrate the completion of 100 years in operation at the Grand Forks facility, as well as the recent commissioning of the new H and I milling units and the conversion of the D milling unit, resulting in a 22% increase in total milling capacity.

“Since the North Dakota Mill opened its doors at the Grand Forks facility in 1922, it has been fulfilling its mission to promote agriculture, commerce and industry,” the Industrial Commission members said in a joint statement. “What began with an initial capacity of 588,000 pounds of flour per day has grown by more than tenfold to over 6 million pounds per day, making it the largest standalone flour mill in the nation and the eighth-largest milling company in the United States. The State Mill adds value to 40 million bushels of spring wheat and durum per year, providing a reliable market and enhancing profitability for our state’s farmers. Since the year 2000, the Mill has transferred over \$100 million in profits to the state’s general fund or Ag Products Utilization Fund, supporting services to North Dakota citizens and projects that keep our agricultural industry on the cutting edge. We are deeply grateful for the North Dakota Mill team that works hard every day to provide a superior product and great customer service.”

“Along with our 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration, we are also pleased to announce the completion of the H and I mills and the D mill conversion which increased the milling capacity by 1.1 million pounds of flour per day,” said Vance Taylor, President and CEO of the North Dakota Mill. “This expansion was done to meet increasing demand from our customers for the quality product we produce here in North Dakota.”

The North Dakota Mill and Elevator Association – the only state-owned mill in the country – was created in 1919 by House Bill 20 and began its operations in Grand Forks on October 30, 1922. The cost of the State Mill at that time was just over \$3 million. The North Dakota Mill has become the largest single-site flour mill in the United States and has 10 milling units within the Mill complex.

“Partnering with the farmers in the surrounding area and across the state, we are committed to drive growth by leveraging our consistent superior quality, great customer service and our dedicated hard-working employees to fulfill our mission,” Taylor said.

The North Dakota Mill, officially the North Dakota Mill and Elevator Association, was established in 1919 and is overseen by the Industrial Commission of North Dakota, consisting of Gov. Doug Burgum, Attorney General Drew Wrigley and Agriculture Commissioner Doug Goehring.

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