Jon Godfread was elected North Dakota’s 22nd Insurance Commissioner on November 8, 2016, and re-elected on November 3, 2020.

In service to the citizens of North Dakota, Godfread has prioritized consumer advocacy, ensuring North Dakotans are better aware of the services offered by the Insurance Department beyond industry regulation. He has also worked to restructure the department for efficient, effective use of tax-payer dollars, along with employee satisfaction.

On a national level, Godfread has been an active voice in discussions about insurance regulations including use of technology, air ambulance service, and healthcare reinsurance. He currently serves as NAIC Vice President and as a member of the Executive (EX) Committee, in addition to serving as chair of the Audit Committee and co-vice chair of the Special (EX) Committee on Race and Insurance.

Prior to serving as Insurance Commissioner, Godfread was most recently Vice President of Governmental Affairs for the Greater North Dakota Chamber in Bismarck. His background also includes banking and professional athletics. He has held prominent roles in discussions around the federal Affordable Care Act (ACA), across-the-board tax reductions for North Dakotans, creation of the North Dakota Outdoor Heritage Fund, K–12 education efforts and more.

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