



State of North Carolina

ROY COOPER
GOVERNOR

ISRAEL DAY

2018

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Israel Day is intended to express the State of North Carolina's reaffirmation of the bonds of friendship and cooperation with the State of Israel on the occasion of the Jewish State's 70th Anniversary on April 19, 2018; and

WHEREAS, on November 29, 1947, the United Nations General Assembly voted to partition the British Mandate of Palestine, and through that vote created the State of Israel; and

WHEREAS, the desire of the Jewish people to establish an independent modern State of Israel was the outgrowth of the existence of the historic Kingdom of Israel, established three thousand years ago in the city of Jerusalem and in the land of Israel; and

WHEREAS, the State of Israel, the only democracy in the Middle East, is the greatest friend and ally of the United States in the Middle East; and

WHEREAS, since its establishment 70 years ago, the modern State of Israel has rebuilt a nation, forged a new and dynamic society, and created a unique and vital economic, political, cultural, and intellectual life, despite the heavy costs of six wars, terrorism, international ostracism, and economic boycotts; and

WHEREAS, Israel and the United States have a shared commitment to freedom, peace, security, and civil rights for all their people; and

WHEREAS, with the anniversary observance taking place throughout the year, Israel will celebrate its anniversary with events marking the birth and development of the state, the struggle to find peace and security, and its hopes for the future; and

WHEREAS, there is a special bond of friendship between the people of North Carolina and Israel that inspires the people of North Carolina to stand with the people of Israel in solidarity and welcome all opportunities to grow our already deep relationship at all levels, including in cultural, academic, and economic endeavors;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim April 19, 2018, as "ISRAEL DAY" in North Carolina, and commend its observance to all citizens.





Roy Cooper
Governor

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of North Carolina at the Capitol in Raleigh this ninth day of April in the year of our Lord two thousand and eighteen and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and forty-second.