



# State of North Carolina

**ROY COOPER**  
GOVERNOR

**LIBRARY APPRECIATION MONTH**

**2018**

**BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA**

**A PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS**, public libraries, school library media centers, college and university libraries, as well as all other types of libraries are essential to providing opportunities for North Carolinians to improve their quality of life for today and tomorrow; and

**WHEREAS**, by engaging library users in a wealth of print, media, and digital collections, libraries provide access to resources for building knowledge and life-long learning; and

**WHEREAS**, the American Library Association and other national organizations have established various observances throughout the month of April, including School Library Media Month which recognizes our nation's school libraries and librarians; and

**WHEREAS**, National Library Week, April 8 – 14, includes: April 10 as National Library Worker Day, recognizing the hard work, dedication, and expertise of library support staff and librarians; April 11 as National Bookmobile Day, celebrating our nation's bookmobiles and the library professionals who provide this valuable service to their communities; and April 12 as Drop Everything and Read Day, in honor of Beverly Cleary's birthday; and

**WHEREAS**, April 21 – 28 is Money Smart Week, providing financial literacy programming to help individuals and families better manage their personal finances, and April 30 is El día de los niños/El día de los libros (Children's Day/Book Day), encouraging a commitment to connecting children with diverse books and programming opportunities; and

**WHEREAS**, with the many wonderful opportunities to engage with libraries in North Carolina, April is a perfect time to visit your neighborhood library and see how libraries are transforming to help every person in their community succeed in reaching his or her full potential; and

**WHEREAS**, our libraries showcase the best of North Carolina while paving the way for the future;

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



  
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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 twenty-ninth day of March 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.