



State of North Carolina

ROY COOPER
GOVERNOR

MONTH OF THE MILITARY CHILD

2018

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, thousands of brave Americans have demonstrated their courage and commitment to freedom by serving in the Armed Forces of the United States of America on active duty and in mobilized National Guard and Reserve units at posts in Afghanistan, Iraq, and throughout our nation and the world; and

WHEREAS, more than 109,000 children of military families in North Carolina have been directly affected by the military deployment of at least one, and sometimes both, parents or other family members who serve as guardians and caregivers; and

WHEREAS, these children and youth are a source of pride and honor to us all, and it is important that we take time to recognize their contributions, celebrate their spirit, and let our men and women in uniform know that while they are taking care of us, we are taking care of their children; and

WHEREAS, the Month of the Military Child allows us to pay tribute to military children and youth for their unconditional support of our Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen, Marines, and Coast Guard members; and

WHEREAS, the children and youth who support their parents, guardians, and caregivers in uniform are American heroes alongside our men and women who serve in the military; and

WHEREAS, a month-long salute to military children and youth reaffirms our state as the most military-friendly state in the nation, and recognizes that these children and youth deserve the gratitude of all North Carolinians; and

WHEREAS, the State of North Carolina encourages our communities, local and state government leaders, private organizations, and businesses to join in commending the children and youth of military families for their exceptional devotion to their loved ones serving as members of the Armed Forces of the United States of America;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim April, 2018, as the "MONTH OF THE MILITARY CHILD" 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 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.