

# State of North Carolina

## ROY COOPER

### GOVERNOR

#### NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK

2017

#### BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

#### A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, North Carolina has a strong history of volunteerism, improving our communities and making our state a better place; and

WHEREAS, volunteer service is needed now more than ever to touch the lives of disaster victims, the poor, the young, the aged, the sick, and the outcast; in the process, the lives of all North Carolinians are made richer; and

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Commission on Volunteerism and Community Service strives to enhance the quality of life for North Carolinians through volunteer and community service, and to ensure their long-term prosperity by promoting the capabilities of people, communities, and enterprises utilizing community service and volunteerism as an integral part of the growth of North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, National Volunteer Week was enacted in 1974 by President Nixon to celebrate the spirit of volunteerism, urging all Americans to seek opportunities in their community to give a few hours or more to a needy individual or a worthy cause; and

WHEREAS, the Corporation for National and Community Service engages millions of citizens each year in service nationwide through Senior Corps, AmeriCorps, and Learn and Serve America;

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim April 23 – 29, 2017, as **"NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK"** in North Carolina, and encourage all citizens to promote the spirit of volunteerism in our families and communities across the state. To find a volunteer opportunity or to learn more about how to recognize your volunteers, visit the Commission on Volunteerism and Community Service at www.volunteernc.org or call 919-814-2060.



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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 thirteenth day of April in the year of our Lord two-thousand and seventeen and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and forty-first.