

# State of North Carolina

**ROY COOPER**  
GOVERNOR

**INDEPENDENT BOOKSTORE DAY**

**2018**

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

**A PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS**, the more than 50 independently-owned bookstores in North Carolina reflect the heart and soul of the people and communities they serve; and

**WHEREAS**, as small businesses, these bookstores provide employment and impact the economy of our state; and

**WHEREAS**, the owners, employees, and contributors of each independent bookstore carefully curate their book selections and plan events with the purpose of enriching the literary, artistic, cultural, and educational landscape of their area; and

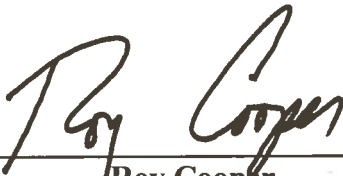
**WHEREAS**, the success of the independent bookstores of our state relies heavily on community support and patronage; and

**WHEREAS**, there is a national movement to shop at independent bookstores on the final Saturday of April each year; and

**WHEREAS**, events held on this Saturday and throughout the year at bookstores across North Carolina support the creative endeavors of diverse authors, writers, artists, illustrators, poets, and many other individuals and groups in our communities;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROY COOPER**, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim April 28, 2018, as **"INDEPENDENT BOOKSTORE DAY"** 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 nineteenth 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.