

State of North Carolina

ROY COOPER

GOVERNOR

CHURH OF GOD IN CHRIST AUXILIARIES IN MINISTRY WEEK

2017

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the 2017 Auxiliaries In Ministry (AIM) Convention will be held at the Convention Center in Charlotte, North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, AIM, the international summer convention of the Church of God in Christ (COGIC), is being hosted this year by more than 300 churches united to form four core jurisdictions: Greater North Carolina, North Carolina Second, North Carolina Third, and South Carolina; and

WHEREAS, Bishop Charles E. Blake is the Presiding Bishop of COGIC and Supt. Linwood Dillard, Jr. is the Chairman of the AIM Convention; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the convention is to promote training and development, as well as youth competition, to registered delegates representing the five auxiliaries of the church internationally: Sunday School, Music, Youth, Missions, and Evangelism; and

WHEREAS, the international body of the Church of God in Christ, headquartered in Memphis, Tennessee, is one of the fastest growing faith-based organizations in the world with a membership of more than six million; and

WHEREAS, the 15,000 - 20,000 delegates projected to attend the convention will have a positive economic impact on Charlotte and North Carolina as they patronize our hotels, restaurants, businesses, galleries, shops, and boutiques; visit attractions; minister to the sick, shut-in, and imprisoned; and uplift the community; and

WHEREAS, the State of North Carolina recognizes the work and leadership that those attending the convention provide to their communities, acknowledging especially the host jurisdiction bishops, Chairman Supt. Linwood Dillard, Jr., Presiding Bishop Charles E. Blake, the General Board, and the National Church collectively;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim July 3 – 7, 2017, as "CHURH OF GOD IN CHRIST AUXILIARIES IN MINISTRY WEEK" in North Carolina, and commend its observance to all citizens.



Roy Cooper

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 June 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.