



State of North Carolina

ROY COOPER
GOVERNOR

WEEK FOR THE ANIMALS

2017

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, North Carolina Week for the Animals brings together community organizations, animal welfare organizations, libraries, wildlife centers, educational agencies, and animal shelters to celebrate the joy, love, and service that animals bring to our lives; and

WHEREAS, during North Carolina Week for the Animals, lives of companion animals will be saved at numerous adoption events through low-cost, spay-neuter opportunities and educational activities; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina Week for the Animals raises awareness of the importance of adopting animals from shelters, spaying and neutering pets, volunteering, providing needed resources to community organizations, and promoting responsible pet ownership; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina Week for the Animals honors the military and law enforcement working K-9's and their handlers, as well as therapy animals who help bring joy to hospital patients and residents of living-assistance homes;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim July 8 – 16, 2017, as **“WEEK FOR THE ANIMALS”** 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 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.