



State of North Carolina

ROY COOPER
GOVERNOR

TRIANGLE RADIO READING SERVICE DAY

2018

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the Triangle Radio Reading Service, co-founded by Ben Eason and Dr. Ed Funkhouser, has been serving the blind and print impaired community since March 21, 1983; and

WHEREAS, Triangle Radio Reading Service (TRRS) is a nonprofit organization that connects people who are blind or print impaired to each other, their families, and their communities by delivering news, information, and entertainment using the latest audio technology; and

WHEREAS, more than 150 volunteers contributed thousands of hours of service during 2017; and

WHEREAS, TRRS volunteers read local news, editorials, community news, obituaries, and advertisements from more than 80 periodicals and national magazines, and provide special programs on education, technology, legal matters, and vision news; and

WHEREAS, providing information to the blind and those with a print disability helps to support more active engagement in the community; and

WHEREAS, TRRS provides listener services 24 hours a day, 7 days a week to individuals in at least 40 counties; these services include 18 live broadcasts, 59 pre-recorded programs and 21 podcasts; and

WHEREAS, in partnership with the Governor Morehead School, TRRS created and implemented the first ever educational course in radio broadcasting designed for students who are blind or visually impaired; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors, volunteers, staff, and friends of TRRS are celebrating 35 years of service to the blind and those with a print disability; and

WHEREAS, the State of North Carolina commends TRRS for this outstanding service, and encourages people to support and advocate resources for those who are blind or print impaired in our communities;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim March 21, 2018, as "TRIANGLE RADIO READING SERVICE DAY" 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 twentieth 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.