

State of North Carolina

ROY COOPER
GOVERNOR

HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS WEEK

2018

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, North Carolina is one of the leading states for overall damage from hurricanes; and

WHEREAS, these tropical storms can claim lives and destroy property through storm surge, destructive winds, flooding, tornadoes, and landslides, and weaker tropical storms can also cause severe damage; and

WHEREAS, every North Carolina county has felt the impacts of hurricanes and tropical systems, and many communities across our state are still working to recover and rebuild from Hurricane Matthew; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina Emergency Management and local government officials work together with the National Weather Service before and during a hurricane or tropical storm to reduce the possible dangers posed to lives and property, and to provide an effective response to these storms; and

WHEREAS, because hurricane season in the Atlantic begins June 1, the State of North Carolina encourages all people to use this time to plan and prepare for hurricanes and other tropical storm systems; and

WHEREAS, to get ready for hurricane season, emergency management experts recommend that people review their emergency plans and update their insurance policies to confirm they include coverage for accidental damage, natural disasters, and flooding; and


WHEREAS, experts also recommend that people maintain emergency supply kits with enough non-perishable food and water to sustain family members for at least three to seven days; people should also learn their evacuation routes and be prepared to comply with local and state authorities when asked to evacuate; and

WHEREAS, each household should identify an out-of-state friend and tell them of their emergency plan so that all family members have a point of contact during a disaster, in case communication within the state becomes difficult; and

WHEREAS, the ReadyNC.org website and free mobile application offer additional tips for preparing for natural disasters, as well as real-time weather and traffic conditions for all parts of North Carolina; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim May 13 – 19, 2018, as “**HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS WEEK**” 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 eleventh day of May 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.