

State of North Carolina

ROY COOPER

GOVERNOR

NATIONAL NURSING HOME WEEK

2017

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, our beloved citizens of North Carolina now residing in nursing homes, skilled nursing care, and post-acute care centers have contributed immeasurably to the heritage, success, and growth of our community; and

WHEREAS, nursing home residents of any age or ability are themselves living history and a precious resource; and

WHEREAS, member skilled nursing care centers of the American Health Care Association and the North Carolina Health Care Facilities Association are holding events in observance of Nursing Home Week guided by this year's national theme: "The Spirit of America!"; and

WHEREAS, the State of North Carolina encourages everyone to visit their loved one, friend, or neighbor currently residing in a skilled nursing care center to show respect for all that they have given to society and to us, and to let no elderly and disabled person sit alone during this time to wonder if they are valued, appreciated, and loved;

WHEREAS, visiting or volunteering your time at a local care facility is a testament to community spirit; brings honor to our fathers, mothers, grandparents, and everyone in residence; and lifts the spirits of caregivers who value your involvement; and

WHEREAS, Nursing Home Week begins on Mother's Day, May 14, and ends on May 20, 2017;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim May 14 – 20, 2017, as **"NATIONAL NURSING HOME 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 first day of May 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.