

# State of North Carolina

## **ROY COOPER**

**GOVERNOR** 

## SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR DAY

2018

### BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

#### **A PROCLAMATION**

WHEREAS, the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War (SUVCW) is a fraternal organization dedicated to preserving the history and legacy of Union veterans who served in the American Civil War; and

WHEREAS, organized in 1881, and chartered by the United States Congress in 1954, the SUVCW is the successor of the Grand Army of the Republic, a fraternal organization composed of veterans of the Union Army, Navy, Marine Corps, and the Revenue Cutter Service who served between April 12, 1861, and April 9, 1865; and

WHEREAS, members of the SUVCW are descendants of Soldiers, Sailors, or Marines who served in the Union Army, Navy, Marine Corps, or Revenue Cutter Service between 1861 and 1865; and

WHEREAS, the SUVCW was founded upon the principles of fraternity, charity and loyalty, and participates in honoring all who have patriotically served our country in any war; and

WHEREAS, the SUVCW continues to be represented in our state by the leaders and members of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Department of North Carolina;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim May 5, 2018, as "SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR 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 twenty-seventh day of April 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.