



# State of North Carolina

**ROY COOPER**  
GOVERNOR

HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS WEEK

2017

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

WHEREAS, weaker tropical storms can also cause severe damage; and

WHEREAS, every North Carolina county has felt the disastrous impacts from hurricanes and tropical systems; and

WHEREAS, Families, communities, and businesses in our state are still recovering and rebuilding from the devastation of Hurricane Matthew; and

WHEREAS, people should review their emergency plans and update their insurance policies to ensure they include coverage for accidental damage, natural disasters, and flooding; and

WHEREAS, people should maintain emergency supply kits to use at home or during an evacuation with enough non-perishable food and water to sustain family members for at least three to seven days; all should know their evacuation routes and comply with local and state authorities when asked to evacuate; and

WHEREAS, each household should have an out-of-state friend who knows your emergency plan so that you and your family members have a point of contact during a disaster; and

WHEREAS, the ReadyNC.org website and free mobile application are available to provide real-time weather and traffic conditions for all parts of North Carolina; 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 provide an effective response to these storms; and

WHEREAS, all North Carolinians are encouraged to plan and prepare by assembling their personal emergency supply kits and updating their emergency plans;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim May 7 – 13, 2017, 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 twenty-seventh day of April 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.