

# State of North Carolina

Roy Cooper  
Governor

ALPHA PHI ALPHA FRATERNITY, INCORPORATED

EMPOWERING OUR COMMUNITIES WEEK

2017

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, Alpha Phi Alpha, Incorporated, the first intercollegiate Greek-letter fraternity established for African American men, was established at Cornell University located in Ithaca, New York, on December 4, 1906; and


**WHEREAS**, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Incorporated, develops leaders and promotes brotherhood and academic excellence; and

**WHEREAS**, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Incorporated, members founded and supported institutions, including the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) and its magazine *The Crisis*, National Urban League and National Association of Black Journalists; and

**WHEREAS**, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Incorporated, members serve in communities around the world providing service and advocacy that promote education, economic, political and social justice;

**NOW THEREFORE**, I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim March 19 – March 25, 2017, as “**ALPHA PHI ALPHA FRATERNITY INCORPORATED, EMPOWERING OUR COMMUNITIES WEEK**” in North Carolina, and commend its observance to all citizens.



  
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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 fourteenth day of March 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.