



# State of North Carolina

**ROY COOPER**

**GOVERNOR**

**PACE MONTH**

**2018**

**BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA**

## **A PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS**, PACE (Programs of All-inclusive Care for the Elderly) addresses the needs of elderly and disabled adults age 55 or older, a population which is growing rapidly and significantly impacts health care costs in the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, North Carolina's first PACE programs opened in 2008, making 2018 the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of PACE services in our state; and

**WHEREAS**, PACE is a fully integrated model that provides comprehensive, highly coordinated services which allow older adults who qualify for nursing home level of care to continue living in the community; and

**WHEREAS**, individuals enrolled in PACE receive all Medicare and Medicaid covered items and services, as well as additional supports which promote well-being and greater independence; and

**WHEREAS**, PACE programs assume full financial risk for all medical care and related services – including transportation, hospitalization, and long-term care – in return for capitated payments from Medicare and Medicaid, thereby controlling costs for the state while providing improved health outcomes and greater satisfaction for participants; and

**WHEREAS**, the Governor's Advisory Council on Aging, the Dual Eligibles Advisory Committee, and the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services Division of Health Benefits, among others, have recognized the value of PACE; and

**WHEREAS**, PACE serves more than 2,000 participants through 11 PACE programs in 12 sites across the state: Elderhaus in Wilmington, Piedmont Health SeniorCare in Burlington and Pittsboro, LIFE St. Joseph of the Pines in Fayetteville, PACE of the Triad in Greensboro, PACE@Home in Newton, Carolina SeniorCare in Lexington, PACE of the Southern Piedmont in Charlotte, Senior CommUnity Care of NC in Durham, Senior Total Life Care in Gastonia, Staywell Senior Care in Asheboro, and CarePartners PACE in Asheville; and

**WHEREAS**, the North Carolina PACE Association was formed in 2011 to support the development, expansion, success, and quality of PACE programs throughout the state, and works to advance and transform health care for the elderly in North Carolina;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim September, 2018, as "PACE MONTH" 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 thirtieth day of August 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.