



# State of North Carolina

**ROY COOPER**

**GOVERNOR**

**MARINE WEEK**

**2018**

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

## **A PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS**, the United States Marine Corps has been America's expeditionary force in readiness since 1775; in times of crisis, Marines are forward deployed to win our nation's battles on air, land, and sea; and

**WHEREAS**, Marines bring their fighting spirit to traditional warfare, humanitarian and disaster relief missions, and community service where they live; and

**WHEREAS**, today, 185,000 Marines actively serve, and another 38,900 Marines are in the Reserves; 39,924 serve on Active Duty in North Carolina; and

**WHEREAS**, the United States Marine Corps has selected North Carolina to host Marine Week 2018, bringing more than 700 Marines to our state; Marine Week is the largest community outreach program of the Marine Corps, celebrating community, country, and Corps by providing the American public with a unique opportunity to directly connect with hundreds of Marines; and

**WHEREAS**, Marine Week showcases the pride and professionalism of the United States Marine Corps through events designed to honor the service and sacrifice of our Marines and their families; generate awareness of the Marine Corps' programs, mission, and capabilities; and develop and maintain a positive image of the Marine Corps; and

**WHEREAS**, Marine Week will feature hands-on displays, live demonstrations, time-honored Marine Corps traditions, musical performances, and other events that recognize the history, military capabilities, and community involvement of the Corps; and

**WHEREAS**, North Carolina is proud to host the United States Marine Corps and show support for this important endeavor;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROY COOPER**, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim September 5 – 9, 2018, as "**MARINE 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 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.