



State of North Carolina

ROY COOPER
GOVERNOR

WORK ZONE AWARENESS MONTH AND WORK ZONE AWARENESS WEEK

2017

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, highway workers play a critical role in improving North Carolina's infrastructure and supporting economic development; and,

WHEREAS, there were 103 people killed and 21,398 crashes that occurred in North Carolina roadway work zones between 2012 and 2016; and,

WHEREAS, in 2016, 26 people were killed in North Carolina work zones, including two workers; and

WHEREAS, the State of North Carolina is dedicated to enhancing work zone safety for both the highway worker and the traveling public; and

WHEREAS, safety on our roads is a shared responsibility, and all citizens must do their part to keep our highways safe; and,

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Department of Transportation has a dedicated program to educate citizens on work zone safety; and

WHEREAS, to reduce fatalities and injuries, the state of North Carolina encourages motorists and highway workers to educate themselves about the dangers associated with work zones, and to respect work zone signs, flaggers, and warnings; stay alert, turn on your headlights, do not tailgate, stay in one lane, do not drive distracted, obey posted speed limits, watch for workers, exercise patience, and expect the unexpected;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROY COOPER, do hereby proclaim April, 2017, as "**WORK ZONE AWARENESS MONTH**" and April 3-7, 2017, as "**WORK ZONE AWARENESS 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 thirty-first 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.