

State of North Carolina

ROY COOPER

GOVERNOR

BOOK HARVEST'S MILLIONTH BOOK MONTH

2018

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, founded in 2011, Book Harvest is a nonprofit organization that provides books to children in Central North Carolina and engages families and communities to promote children's lifelong literacy and academic success; and

WHEREAS, Book Harvest's programs, including Book Babies, Books on Break, Books to Go, and Community Book Bank, provide books to children starting at birth and continuing through high school, supporting school readiness, grade-level reading proficiency, improved graduation rates, and a lifelong love of reading; and

WHEREAS, Book Harvest believes in the limitless potential of all children and the power of parents to help children achieve their goals; and

WHEREAS, the organization's vision is based on the idea that books are essential to children's healthy development and well-being and that all children deserve to grow up in book-rich homes and communities; and

WHEREAS, by working to remove barriers to book ownership, Book Harvest helps to fuel a lifelong love of reading in every North Carolina child, contributing to success in school and in life; and

WHEREAS, for more than seven years, Book Harvest has partnered with North Carolina families, schools, and community organizations to provide high-quality, high-interest, diverse books in which all children can see themselves and their lives reflected; and

WHEREAS, throughout November, Book Harvest is celebrating the milestone of providing its one millionth free book to a child in North Carolina;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim November, 2018, as "BOOK HARVEST'S MILLIONTH BOOK 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 twenty-sixth day of October 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.