

State of North Carolina

ROY COOPER

GOVERNOR

CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION MONTH

2019

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, career and technical education prepares students and young adults to succeed in academics and careers in both established and emerging industries; and

WHEREAS, the mission of North Carolina secondary career and technical education is to empower all students to be successful individuals, workers, and leaders in our global economy; and

WHEREAS, career and technical education programs help students become the skilled workers that employers need to perform the jobs of today and tomorrow; and

WHEREAS, career and technical education programs in North Carolina provide education for all students in the areas of agriculture, business, career development, family and consumer sciences, finance, health science, information technology, marketing and entrepreneurship, technology engineering and design, and trade and industrial education; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina Career and Technical Student Organizations such as DECA, Future Business Leaders of America, Family Career and Community Leaders of America, Future Farmers of America, HOSA Future Health Professionals, SkillsUSA, and Technology Student Association support the work of career and technical education programs to develop character, citizenship, leadership, and technical skills essential for students who are preparing for the workforce and further education; and

WHEREAS, along with North Carolina's 35 career pathways certified by the NCWorks Commission, career and technical education programs aid in our state's workforce development efforts; and

WHEREAS, this year's theme, *Celebrate Today, Own Tomorrow!*, demonstrates the crucial role that career and technical education plays in making North Carolina job ready by preparing our students for successful careers and strengthening North Carolina's workforce;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim February, 2019, as "CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION MONTH" in North Carolina, and commend its

observance to all citizens.

Roy Cooper

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 first day of February in the year of our Lord two thousand and nineteen and of

the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and forty-second.