

State of North Carolina

ROY COOPER

GOVERNOR

SCHOOL BUS DRIVER APPRECIATION WEEK

2019

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, every day in North Carolina, more than 13,000 school buses carry approximately 790,000 students to and from school; and

WHEREAS, without school buses and school bus drivers, many public school students would not have safe, reliable transportation to and from school; and

WHEREAS, it is estimated that the use of school buses saves more than 65 million gallons of fuel statewide each year, compared to that required by individual family cars; and

WHEREAS, school bus drivers travel thousands of miles each school year, navigating rural roads, neighborhood streets, and multi-lane highways to deliver students to their schools and homes safely; and

WHEREAS, weather and road conditions, student passengers, and other motorists can create unique challenges to drivers as they carry out their duties; and

WHEREAS, the State of North Carolina commends and appreciates school bus drivers for the invaluable contributions they make to public education and student safety; and

WHEREAS, the American School Bus Council's Love the Bus week is celebrated in North Carolina during the week of Valentine's Day; and

WHEREAS, the State of North Carolina encourages people to Love the Bus and to recognize the excellence of our state's school bus drivers and their good record of safety;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim February 11 – 15, 2019, as "SCHOOL BUS DRIVER APPRECIATION 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 January 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.