



State of North Carolina

ROY COOPER
GOVERNOR

NATIONAL DAY OF SERVICE AND REMEMBRANCE

2018

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, on September 11, 2001, the lives of nearly 3,000 men, women, and children were lost in the worst terrorist attack on United States soil in our nation's history; and

WHEREAS, in our darkest hour, the American people endured with courage and heroism; we responded to this violence and hate with countless acts of kindness, generosity, and compassion; and

WHEREAS, firefighters, police officers, emergency medical technicians, physicians, nurses, military personnel, and other first responders immediately rose to service without concern for their own well-being, and saved thousands of lives; and

WHEREAS, in the months following the attacks, people across the United States volunteered to help support the rescue and recovery efforts, contributing to our healing as a nation; and

WHEREAS, on the anniversary of September 11, we recommit to this spirit of unity, and resolve to give of ourselves in service to each other; and

WHEREAS, there are many types of volunteerism that contribute to the betterment of our communities, including donations of time, funds, labor, or talents to a worthy cause; youth mentorship; supporting services for people with intellectual, developmental, or other disabilities; peer counseling; participating in programs that care for older adults; blood donation; advocating and providing for our veterans; working with animal shelters; disaster relief; and countless other humanitarian acts; and

WHEREAS, the United States Congress enacted the Edward M. Kennedy Serve America Act (Public Law 111-13) on April 21, 2009, requesting the observance of September 11 as a National Day of Service and Remembrance; and

WHEREAS, participating in service and remembrance activities is a positive and respectful way to remember the lives of those lost, pay tribute to those who rose in service, and honor those who continue to serve our country today; and

WHEREAS, the State of North Carolina encourages people to observe September 11 by volunteering time and labor in patriotic service to our neighbors, communities, and fellow Americans;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim September 11, 2018, as "**NATIONAL DAY OF SERVICE AND REMEMBRANCE**" 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 eleventh day of September 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.