



State of North Carolina

ROY COOPER
GOVERNOR

NATIONAL FORENSIC SCIENCE WEEK

2020

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, forensic science is a vital public service involving the use of scientific methods or expertise to investigate crimes and examine evidence; and

WHEREAS, access to quality forensic analysis dramatically improves the investigation of criminal activity and can lead to the exoneration of the innocent as well as the prosecution of the guilty; and

WHEREAS, forensic science plays a critical role in public outreach and crime prevention, and is evolving in its role as an important factor of the criminal justice community; and

WHEREAS, crime scene investigators, forensic examiners, and forensic scientists provide unbiased, accurate, and reliable analyses of evidence recovered at crime scenes across our state and nation; and

WHEREAS, the North Carolina State Crime Laboratory, which operates a full-service laboratory in Raleigh, a Western Regional Crime Lab in Edneyville, and a Triad Regional Crime Lab in Greensboro, provides important forensic analysis resources to law enforcement agencies across our state; and

WHEREAS, numerous professional organizations have recognized September 20 – 26, 2020, as National Forensic Science Week, with individuals across our nation celebrating this incredibly important field of work; and

WHEREAS, the State of North Carolina is proud to recognize the hard-working people that compose our forensic science organizations and their commitment to proper scientific investigations for the cause of justice;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim September 20 – 26, 2020, as “**NATIONAL FORENSIC SCIENCE 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 eleventh day of September in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and forty-fifth.