

State of North Carolina

ROY COOPER

GOVERNOR

DYSLEXIA AWARENESS MONTH

2018

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, dyslexia is a language-based learning disability that affects approximately one in five people, regardless of race, gender, age, or socioeconomic status; and

WHEREAS, neurological in origin, dyslexia affects the way the brain processes information, and is characterized by difficulties with reading, writing, and spelling despite normal intelligence; and

WHEREAS, those with dyslexia benefit greatly from specialized assistance from highly trained teachers, multi-sensory learning programs, and individualized instruction; and

WHEREAS, early identification, alternative instruction, and extra support from friends, family, and teachers can contribute to the success dyslexic students enjoy in the classroom and later in employment; and

WHEREAS, during the 2017 Session of the North Carolina General Assembly, House Bill 149/Session Law 2017-127 was enacted, requiring the State Board of Education and local boards of education to develop tools to ensure identification of students with dyslexia and dyscalculia; and

WHEREAS, the State of North Carolina encourages all educators, schools, students, and individuals to increase awareness and understanding of dyslexia, and to show support for those with dyslexia in our communities this month and throughout the year;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim October, 2018, as "**DYSLEXIA AWARENESS 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-eighth 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.