



State of North Carolina

ROY COOPER
GOVERNOR

IN RECOGNITION OF THE 50th ANNIVERSARY OF THE COUNTRY DOCTOR MUSEUM

2018

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, The Country Doctor Museum opened December 8, 1968, in Bailey, Nash County, as a tribute to rural medical practice and practitioners; and

WHEREAS, The Country Doctor Museum was founded by volunteers, led by Dr. Josephine E. Newell and Dr. Gloria Flippin Graham, interested in sharing stories of the ingenuity, compassion, and dedication of country doctors in service to their communities; and

WHEREAS, The Country Doctor Museum continues this legacy by interpreting and sharing the history of rural physicians, nurses, dentists, and pharmacists through a collection of more than 5,000 artifacts and archival materials; and

WHEREAS, The Country Doctor Museum offers educational programs and community outreach with hands-on school activities, group tours, medical screening events, and community celebrations; and

WHEREAS, The Country Doctor Museum collaborates with East Carolina University in support of students, faculty, and the community as a resource for medical humanities and history, museum studies, and promoting initiatives to capture and preserve local history; and

WHEREAS, on December 8, 2018, The Country Doctor Museum is celebrating 50 years of collecting, preserving, and interpreting rural medical history in the United States;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim December 8, 2018, as **"IN RECOGNITION OF THE 50th ANNIVERSARY OF THE COUNTRY DOCTOR MUSEUM"** 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-sixth day of November 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.