



State of North Carolina

ROY COOPER
GOVERNOR

AMERICA RECYCLES DAY

2019

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, adopting conscientious habits that help protect and preserve North Carolina's natural resources can improve our quality of life by supporting a clean, economic, and sustainable environment; and

WHEREAS, recycling stimulates local economies, creates jobs, saves substantial amounts of energy and water, reduces greenhouse gas emissions, and conserves landfill space; and

WHEREAS, recycling has benefited the North Carolina economy and created more than 16,000 private sector jobs with an estimated payroll of \$664 million per year; and

WHEREAS, nearly 700 recycling businesses in North Carolina produce new products, provide manufacturers with valuable materials, drive economic development, and preserves natural resources due to the return of recyclable material; and

WHEREAS, North Carolinians recycle 1.6 million tons of material annually in local recycling programs, but continue to produce more than 11 million tons of waste each year; recycling can be improved through initiatives such as waste reduction, composting, reuse of product and materials, and purchasing recycled products; and

WHEREAS, the North Carolina recycling industry relies on the success of local recycling programs in communities, institutions and businesses across the state; it is important that North Carolina businesses, organizations, schools and residents become involved in recycling activities and learn more about recyclable products available; and

WHEREAS, North Carolinians are encouraged to learn more about recycling programs, local recycling options, and how to recycle the right way to limit contamination in the recycling stream and reduce costs for local governments; and

WHEREAS, America Recycles Day promotes the importance of recycling to our local, state, and national environment and economy; the State of North Carolina joins Keep America Beautiful in recognizing this day, and encourages all citizens to make a commitment to recycle every day of the year;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim November 15, 2019, as "**AMERICA RECYCLES DAY**" 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 seventh of November 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-fourth