

State of North Carolina

ROY COOPER
GOVERNOR

THE AMERICAN LEGION CENTENNIAL DAYS

2019

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, chartered by the United States Congress in 1919, The American Legion has been a staunch advocate for veterans and their families for 100 years; and

WHEREAS, The American Legion was founded on four pillars: Veterans Affairs and Rehabilitation, National Security, Americanism, and Children and Youth; each of these pillars encompasses a variety of programs that benefit our nation's veterans, servicemembers, and their families; youth; and communities; and

WHEREAS, The American Legion has played a leading role in initiatives and breakthroughs, ranging from the United States Flag Code to the GI Bill, which have affected the lives of Americans in every community across our nation; and


WHEREAS, The American Legion Department of North Carolina has fulfilled The American Legion's mission since 1919 through programs such as the Veterans Service Fund, American Legion Baseball, Tar Heel Boys' State, High School Oratorical Contests, Student Trooper Program, and Boy Scouts; and

WHEREAS, The American Legion Centennial Days commemorate the organization's commencement on March 15-17, 1919, when members of the American Expeditionary Force convened in Paris for the first American Legion caucus; and

WHEREAS, the State of North Carolina joins in celebrating The American Legion's 100 years of success as a patriotic veterans organization, and commends its many contributions to our communities and youth, as well as our veterans, servicemembers, and their families;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim March 15 – 17, 2019, as **"THE AMERICAN LEGION CENTENNIAL DAYS"** 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 thirteenth day of March 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-second.