



# State of North Carolina

**ROY COOPER**  
GOVERNOR

**BEEF MONTH**

**2021**

**BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA**

**A PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS**, according to the 2020 North Carolina Agricultural Statistics Book published by the North Carolina Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, there are currently more than 800,000 cattle in our state, which provide a variety of food, leather, and other products; and

**WHEREAS**, the 2020 North Carolina Agricultural Statistics Book reports that North Carolina farmers raise cattle in all 100 counties throughout our state; and

**WHEREAS**, because of cooperation between beef producers and the North Carolina Cattlemen's Association, North Carolina Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, North Carolina State University, North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University, and allied industries, thousands of farms are flourishing across our state; and

**WHEREAS**, the North Carolina Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services characterizes beef and beef products as nutrient rich, providing Americans with a high-quality source of protein, zinc, iron, and B vitamins; an estimated 9 out of 10 households serve beef at least once every 2 weeks; and

**WHEREAS**, the 2020 North Carolina Agricultural Statistics Book lists cattle farms as generating more than \$249 million in cash receipts each year, making the beef industry yet another part of the total diversification of agriculture in our state;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim May, 2021, as "**BEEF 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-third day of April in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and forty-fifth.