



# State of North Carolina

**ROY COOPER**  
GOVERNOR

## FAMILY LEADERSHIP MONTH

2020

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

### A PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, meaningful family leadership occurs when parents and family members gain the knowledge and skills necessary to function in meaningful leadership roles and present a parental voice to help shape the direction of their families, programs, and communities; and

**WHEREAS**, National Parent Leadership Month celebrates the courage and tenacity of parents and family members who have worked to make improvements in their families and communities; and

**WHEREAS**, family leadership is an essential and effective means of strengthening families and preventing child abuse and neglect; and

**WHEREAS**, family leadership is a necessary component in any effective family strengthening and family support program; and

**WHEREAS**, family leadership is achieved when parents and family members receive support and training and share responsibility, expertise, and leadership in the planning, implementation, oversight, and evaluation of policies, practices, and programs that affect families and communities; and

**WHEREAS**, more North Carolina parents and family members each year are developing vital partnerships with service providers, policymakers, and key stakeholders to shape policy and practice and build stronger, safer communities for children; and

**WHEREAS**, the power of parents speaking publicly about their experiences has made, and will continue to make, an impact on the lives of families everywhere; and

**WHEREAS**, the State of North Carolina recognizes parents and families for their vital leadership in their homes, communities, and in our state;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim February, 2020, as "FAMILY LEADERSHIP MONTH" in North Carolina, and commend its observance to all citizens.



  
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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-ninth day of January in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and forty-fourth