

# State of North Carolina

# **ROY COOPER**

**GOVERNOR** 

## GOLD STAR MOTHERS' DAY

2019

#### BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

### **A PROCLAMATION**

WHEREAS, a Gold Star Mother has a son or daughter that died during active service in the United States military during a period of war or hostilities in which the Armed Forces of the United States were engaged; and

**WHEREAS,** on June 23, 1936, Congress, by joint resolution, designated the last Sunday in September as Gold Star Mothers' Day, to be observed each year by Presidential Proclamation; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina's military service members, veterans and their families are an invaluable part of our communities across this State; and

WHEREAS, less than one percent of our nation serve in our military, and we have an obligation to acknowledge the losses of our service men and women and ensure their families are not forgotten; and

**WHEREAS,** North Carolina is home to some of the world's finest military installations, to include Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune, Army Base Fort Bragg, Seymour Johnson Air Force Base and the Coast Guard Base in Elizabeth City; and

WHEREAS, the State of North Carolina is proud to be considered one of the most military and veteran friendly states in the nation, and home to thousands of active service members, veterans, and their families;

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim the last Sunday in the month of September, 2019, as "GOLD STAR MOTHERS' 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 twenty-fifth day of September 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.