

State of North Carolina

ROY COOPER
GOVERNOR

HEAT SAFETY AWARENESS MONTH

2020

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, according to the United States Department of Labor, dozens of workers die and thousands more become ill every year while working in extreme heat or humid conditions; and

WHEREAS, more than 40 percent of heat-related worker deaths occur in the construction industry, but workers in every field are susceptible; and

WHEREAS, heat-related illnesses and injuries can affect anyone, regardless of age or physical condition; however, heat illnesses are also preventable; and

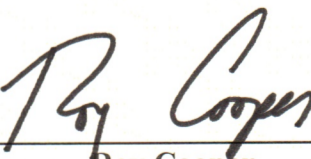
WHEREAS, important ways to reduce heat exposure and risk include: engineering controls, such as air conditioning and ventilation, that make the work environment cooler; work practices such as work/rest cycles; and drinking water often; and

WHEREAS, employees and individuals are encouraged to take steps to prevent heat-related injuries when working outdoors or enjoying outdoor activities; and

WHEREAS, the State of North Carolina encourages all workers, employers, and people to raise awareness of best practices in preventing heat-related illnesses and injuries to reduce the number of incidents across the state this year and in the future;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim August, 2020, as “**HEAT SAFETY AWARENESS 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 thirtieth day of July 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-fifth.