

State of North Carolina

ROY COOPER
GOVERNOR

KOREAN WAR ARMISTICE DAY

2020

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, in June of 1950, North Korea invaded South Korea, setting off the conflict that would become known as the Korean War; and

WHEREAS, Allied forces, backed principally by the United States, quickly came to the aid of South Korea in defense of freedom and democracy; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina vigorously mobilized for the war, deploying both the National Guard and Air National Guard, and reopening the Wilmington shipyard to deploy 21,000 men by July of 1950; and

WHEREAS, by September 1950, Raleigh had jumped from nineteenth to first place among cities for monthly recruitment for military service; and

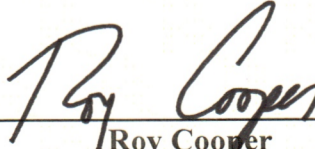
WHEREAS, more than 36,500 Americans gave their lives in service to nation during the Korean War, including nearly 900 North Carolinians who were counted as killed in action, wounded, or missing; and

WHEREAS, the Korean War Armistice was signed in 1954, though a full truce to the war remains unrealized; and

WHEREAS, the State of North Carolina is proud of the men and women who fought and died in the Korean War to defend democracy, liberty, and human rights here and across the world;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim July 27, 2020, as **"KOREAN WAR ARMISTICE 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-fourth 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.