

State of North Carolina

ROY COOPER

GOVERNOR

NATIONAL 4-H WEEK

2020

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, 4-H is America's largest youth development organization, empowering nearly six million young people with lifelong leadership skills; and

WHEREAS, 4-H, as part of the North Carolina Cooperative Extension System of North Carolina State University and North Carolina A&T State University, is a program where youth learn through opportunities that provide hands-on experiences in 4-H's mission mandates of science, healthy living, agriculture, and citizenship; and

WHEREAS, 4-H has connected youth and their communities with the innovative research and resources from our nation's 112 land-grant universities and colleges for more than 117 years; and

WHEREAS, this admirable program helps young North Carolinians to acquire knowledge, develop life skills, solve problems in their communities, and form attitudes to enable them to become self-directed, productive, and contributing members of our society; and

WHEREAS, the program's more than 260,000 urban, suburban, and rural youth participants, ranging in age from five to eighteen, hail from diverse ethnic and socioeconomic backgrounds and represent a cross-section of our state; and

WHEREAS, 4-H could not have accomplished what it already has without its more than 13,000 adult volunteers, who have generously given their time, talent, energy, and resources to the youth of North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, the State of North Carolina is proud to honor the important work being done by 4-H, and encourages the continuing development of young North Carolinians across our state;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim October 4 – 10, 2020, as "**NATIONAL 4-H WEEK**" in North Carolina, and commend its observance to all citizens.

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 September 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.