

# State of North Carolina

# **ROY COOPER**

**GOVERNOR** 

## NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK

2020

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

### A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, North Carolina has a strong history of improving our communities and making our state a better place through volunteerism; and

WHEREAS, during National Volunteer Week, we celebrate the impact of volunteer service and come together to tackle community needs and build a culture of volunteerism; and

WHEREAS, volunteers have dedicated countless hours to helping North Carolinians survive and recover from natural disasters such as recent Hurricanes Matthew, Florence, and Michael; and

WHEREAS, volunteer service is needed now more than ever as communities diligently work to flatten the curve with COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, state employees, led by the North Carolina Commission on Volunteerism and Community Service, will work to enhance quality of life for North Carolinians through volunteer and community service; and

WHEREAS, National Volunteer Week was enacted in 1974 by President Richard Nixon to celebrate the spirit of volunteerism, urging all Americans to seek opportunities to provide service to their community; and

WHEREAS, the Corporation for National and Community Service engages millions of people each year in service nationwide through Senior Corps and AmeriCorps; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina residents are encouraged to visit the Commission on Volunteerism and Community Service at <a href="https://www.volunteernc.org">www.volunteernc.org</a> to find a volunteer opportunity or to learn more about volunteer recognition; and

WHEREAS, the State of North Carolina encourages all people to promote the spirit of volunteerism in our families and communities across the state;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim April 19-25, 2020, as "NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK" 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 sixth day of April 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.