

State of North Carolina

ROY COOPER

GOVERNOR

NORTH CAROLINA AZALEA FESTIVAL SEASON

2021

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the State of North Carolina and the City of Wilmington are pleased to host the 74th Annual North Carolina Azalea Festival; and

WHEREAS, this proud North Carolina tradition has historically drawn visitors to our port city to enjoy the beauty of nature, entertainment, a street fair, a parade, and riverfront attractions; and

WHEREAS, in addition to stunning floral displays, the North Carolina Azalea Festival celebrates the arts and history of Wilmington; and

WHEREAS, this year, in compliance with COVID-19 safety guidelines, festivities will be smaller and socially distanced; and

WHEREAS, while things may look a little different this year, the North Carolina Azalea Festival remains an important facet of our state's tourism industry and we encourage people to take this opportunity to explore what makes North Carolina a wonderful place to live in from the mountains to the coast;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim April 7 – 11, 2021, as "**NORTH CAROLINA AZALEA FESTIVAL SEASON**" in North Carolina, and commend its observance to all citizens.



Roy Cooper

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 thirty-first day of March in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and forty-fifth.