

State of North Carolina

ROY COOPER
GOVERNOR

POST 1 AMERICAN LEGION 100TH BIRTHDAY

2019

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the Post 1 American Legion was founded in 1919 on the four pillars of a strong national security, veteran affairs, Americanism and youth programs; the organization built a legacy during its first century through several accomplishments that have aimed to strengthen the nation; and

WHEREAS, the Post 1 American Legion heavily influenced the federal guidance for rules on the display and care of the United States flag, drafted and pushed for the passing of the Servicemen's Readjustment Act of 1944, also known as the GI Bill, and helped start the Veterans Administration; and

WHEREAS, these accomplishments transformed America throughout the second half of the 20th century and helped veterans receive benefits for healthcare conditions based on their honorable service, including acceptance of Agent Orange exposure as service-connected; and

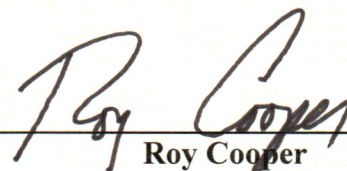
WHEREAS, the organization has nearly 3,000 accredited service officers worldwide who assist veterans with their benefits claims and other concerns, and with a membership of 2.1 million wartime veterans, it is the nation's largest wartime veterans service organization; and

WHEREAS, the Post 1 American Legion was the first Congressional Chartered Post in North Carolina in 1919 and has helped Wartime Veterans in numerous counties around the state, including Wake County; and

WHEREAS, the Post 1 American Legion has become a model of community excellence for other posts to follow and continues to evolve and set higher standards of Esprit De Corps;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim July 22, 2019, as "**POST 1 AMERICAN LEGION 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 sixteenth day of July in the year of our Lord two thousand and nineteen and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and forty-third.