

State of North Carolina

ROY COOPER

GOVERNOR

STATE EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION WEEK

AND

STATE EMPLOYEE APPRECIATION DAY

2020

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, nearly 83,000 state employees, working across all of North Carolina's 100 counties, perform their jobs daily with professionalism to provide efficient and effective delivery of services to the people of our state; and

WHEREAS, state employees positively impact daily life through education, transportation, agriculture, environmental quality, information technology, health care, science, public safety, and many other areas; and

WHEREAS, millions of North Carolina residents and visitors benefit daily from the often behind-the-scenes effort, unwavering dedication, commitment, and contributions of state employees; and

WHEREAS, state employees have shown compassion and resolve in responding to the COVID-19 pandemic while maintaining essential government operations; and

WHEREAS, many state employees continue to work onsite using health and safety precautions while others have adapted to telework during this time; and

WHEREAS, whether working onsite or remotely, state employees remain focused on serving the public and performing jobs that make a significant contribution to the well-being and quality of life for North Carolinians and others who live in and visit our state; and

WHEREAS, state government strives to engage a diverse workforce that represents the needs and perspectives of the communities it serves, including an array of ethnic, racial, and religious backgrounds; abilities; sexual orientation; and ages; and

WHEREAS, the public services ably provided by state employees make North Carolina one of best places to live in the nation, earning it high rankings for business, climate, and livability;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim September 27 – October 2, 2020, as "STATE EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION WEEK" and September 30, 2020, as "STATE EMPLOYEE APPRECIATION DAY" 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 sixteenth 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.