



State of North Carolina

ROY COOPER
GOVERNOR

STOP FOOD WASTE DAY

2021

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the State of North Carolina, is positioned as a global leader in sustainability working to reduce its impact on the planet; and

WHEREAS, forty percent of the food produced is never eaten in the United States, contributing to more than eight percent of the total global greenhouse gas emissions; and

WHEREAS, food waste is a vastly overlooked driver of climate change and reducing food waste is one of the most important things we can do to reverse global warming; and

WHEREAS, food waste represents one of the greatest possibilities for individuals, companies, and communities to contribute to reverse global warming, and at the same time feed more people, increase economic benefits, and preserve threatened eco-systems; and

WHEREAS, Stop Food Waste Day aims to educate people about their food waste and create impactful solutions to how people farm, produce, purchase, and use food; and

WHEREAS, creating awareness around the increasing epidemic is a key component in fighting food waste;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim April 28, 2021, as **"STOP FOOD WASTE 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 ninth day of April 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.