

State of North Carolina

ROY COOPER

GOVERNOR

50th ANNIVERSARY OF THE GOVERNOR'S PAGE PROGRAM

2023

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Governor's Page Program is a program unique to North Carolina that gives high school students from all over the state the opportunity to come to Raleigh for a week of hands-on participation in state government; and

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Governor's Page program started in 1973 under Governor James Holshouser's administration with Arminta Foushee serving as the first Governor's page in March 1973; and

WHEREAS, since the start of the Governor's Page program, over 30,000 youth in North Carolina have served the state and their communities as Governor's pages; and

WHEREAS, numerous state employees, including Council of State members and Supreme Court Justices, have donated their time to speak with pages, teach them about the importance of state government, and mentor them to be selfless leaders; and

WHEREAS, Governor's pages have gone on to be active leaders in their communities with a unique passion for service as government leaders, lawyers, CEOs, journalists, and directors of non-profits, among many other things; and

WHEREAS, the Governor's page program has inspired generations of youth to be active leaders in their communities who are engaged civically, socially, and selflessly;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim March 13, 2023, as "50th ANNIVERSARY OF THE GOVERNOR'S PAGE PROGRAM" 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 third day of March in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty-three and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and forty-seventh.