

State of North Carolina **ROY COOPER**

GOVERNOR

ANNUITY AWARENESS MONTH

2023

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, annuities provide an alternative for individuals who want a way to meet immediate, ongoing, and future financial obligations and objectives; and

WHEREAS, outliving one's retirement income creates a financial hardship that may require working additional years of employment, reduce the standard of living in retirement, or result in dependence upon family and friends for monetary support; and

WHEREAS, research indicates that people with a retirement plan have a higher confidence in their overall retirement readiness; and

WHEREAS, because determining what kind of an annuity to buy and when to take income is an important financial decision, individuals and families can benefit greatly from the advice of a qualified insurance or financial services professional; and

WHEREAS, the Coalition for Annuity Awareness has designated June as national Annuity Awareness Month, the goal of which is to educate consumers on annuity benefits and retirement readiness;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim June, 2023, as "ANNUITY AWARENESS MONTH" in North Carolina, and commend its observance to all citizens



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 first day of June 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.