



# State of North Carolina

**ROY COOPER**  
GOVERNOR

**BEEF MONTH**

**2023**

**BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA**

**A PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS**, according to the 2022 North Carolina Agricultural Statistics Book published by the North Carolina Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, there are currently over 785,000 cattle in North Carolina that provide a variety of food, leather, and other products to the residents of this state; and

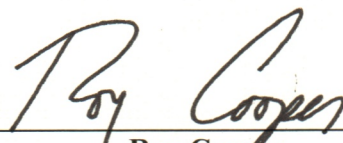
**WHEREAS**, because of cooperation between beef producers and the North Carolina Cattlemen's Association, North Carolina Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, North Carolina State University, North Carolina A&T State University, and allied industry, thousands of farms are flourishing across the State in all 100 counties; and

**WHEREAS**, the North Carolina Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services characterizes beef and beef products as naturally nutrient rich, providing Americans with a high-quality source of protein, zinc, iron, and B vitamins, leading nine out of ten households to serve beef at least once every two weeks; and

**WHEREAS**, the 2022 North Carolina Agricultural Statistics Book list cattle farms generating more than \$260 million in cash receipts each year, making the beef industry yet another part of the total diversification of agriculture in this state;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim May, 2023, as "**BEEF MONTH**" in North Carolina, and commend its observance to all citizens.



  
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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 twenty-eighth day of April 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.