

State of North Carolina

ROY COOPER
GOVERNOR

BIRTHDAY OF THE UNITED STATES NAVY

2023

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, on October 13, 1775, the Continental Congress established the United States Navy to aid in the Revolutionary War; and

WHEREAS, for 248 years, the United States Navy has answered the call of duty to protect this nation both in times of war and peace; and

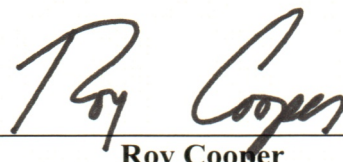
WHEREAS, North Carolina is proud to be home to more than 5,000 active-duty and reserve Sailors and their families, primarily located at Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune; and

WHEREAS, the unofficial motto of "Semper Fortis" and "Non sibi sed patriae" represent the longstanding tradition of our nation's sailors to put service before self; and

WHEREAS, the United States Navy continues to play a significant and integral role in the security, wealth, and prosperity of our State while defending our nation; and

WHEREAS, in commemoration of the 248th anniversary of the establishment of the United States Navy, North Carolinians proudly recognize the Sailors who served and continue to serve our country;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim October 13, 2023, as "**BIRTHDAY OF THE UNITED STATES NAVY**" 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 thirteenth day of October 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-eighth.