

# State of North Carolina

# **ROY COOPER**

**GOVERNOR** 

## CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS AND CORRECTIONAL EMPLOYEES WEEK

2024

#### BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

### A PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, approximately 10,000 North Carolina correctional officers and correctional employees are responsible for the daily supervision and custody of approximately 30,000 people incarcerated in North Carolina's state prisons; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina correctional officers and correctional employees continually strive to ensure safety inside and outside correctional institutions, safeguarding colleagues, incarcerated people, and the public; and

WHEREAS, correctional work can be demanding; the professionals who have accepted the challenge of working inside correctional institutions routinely perform their duties with exemplary courage, dedication, and pride; and

WHEREAS, correctional officers and correctional employees are critical difference-makers in the protection and security aspects of the correctional field as well as in helping incarcerated people, previously incarcerated people, and people on community supervision become productive, skilled, non-recidivist members of their communities; and

WHEREAS, professionals in the correctional field train rigorously to develop and maintain the skills necessary for the safe, humane, and proficient performance of their designated responsibilities, including resolving conflicts, managing cases, and anticipating reactions to dangerous and uncertain environments; and

WHEREAS, correctional officers and correctional employees are quick to answer the call of community service, supporting local and broader causes through donations and volunteer work; and

**WHEREAS,** our communities are safer and more prosperous thanks to the hard work of North Carolina's correctional professionals; and

**WHEREAS**, the State of North Carolina is proud to recognize the outstanding service and dedication of its correctional officers and correctional employees;

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim May 5 – 11, 2024, as "**CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS AND CORRECTIONAL EMPLOYEES WEEK**" in North Carolina, and commend its observance to all citizens.

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IN WITH ASS WHERE , 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 May in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty-four and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and forty-eighth.