

State of North Carolina

JOSH STEIN

GOVERNOR

CRIME VICTIMS' RIGHTS WEEK

2025

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, crime affects individuals, families, and communities in profound and varied ways, often leaving lasting physical, emotional, and social challenges; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina recognizes and affirms a national commitment to provide financial support to crime victims by the establishment of the Crime Victims Fund as a funding source for compensation to crime victims; and

WHEREAS, the Governor's Crime Commission and the Crime Victims Compensation Commission serve as a conduit through which vital financial support is provided for victims' assistance and compensation programs in North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, criminal justice officials, advocacy groups and concerned individuals encourage all citizens to help victims of crime with purpose and compassion, providing them with the physical, financial, and emotional support they need to rebuild their lives; and

WHEREAS, the concept of kinship underscores the support, services, and shared strength among survivors, advocates, and communities; and

WHEREAS, kinship is the foundation of victim advocacy, inspiring trauma-informed care that meets survivors where they are; and

WHEREAS, kinship creates peer networks and community alliances that empower survivors, foster resilience, and offer pathways to healing; and

WHEREAS, kinship demonstrates the strength that comes from connection, the importance of listening to every voice, and the power we have to create lasting change when we work together. This proclamation reaffirms our dedication to building connections, standing in kinship with survivors, and creating a future where healing and hope are within reach for everyone;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOSH STEIN, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim April 6-12, 2025, as "CRIME VICTIMS' RIGHTS WEEK" in North Carolina, and commend its observance to all citizens.



JOSH STEI

Governor

, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of North Carolina S WHERE IN WITH at the Capitol in Raleigh this twenty-fifth day of March in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty-fifth and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and forty-ninth.