



State of North Carolina

ROY COOPER
GOVERNOR

FOOD WASTE PREVENTION WEEK

2022

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, up to 40% of all food produced is thrown away rather than eaten; safe and nutritious food that is thrown away could help feed hungry citizens, and create better utilization of food resources; and

WHEREAS, a family of four can save an average of \$1800 on uneaten food annually; and

WHEREAS, K-12 schools and universities have a special role in educating the next generation to reduce, recover, and recycle food; and

WHEREAS, we have the opportunity to save shared resources, like land, water, and energy, used to produce and transport food that ultimately goes uneaten; and

WHEREAS, most wasted food ends up in landfills, where it generates methane, a greenhouse gas that is up to 86 times more powerful than carbon dioxide according to the Natural Resource Defense Council (NRDC);

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim April 4 – 8, 2022, as “**FOOD WASTE PREVENTION WEEK**” 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 thirtieth day of March in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty-two and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and forty-sixth.