

# State of North Carolina

**JOSH STEIN**  
GOVERNOR

## JEWISH AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

2025

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

### A PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, Jewish American Heritage Month is celebrated annually in May to honor the generations of Jewish Americans who have contributed to the history and culture of our nation; and

**WHEREAS**, Jewish Americans have been an integral part of North Carolina's vibrant history, with the first Jewish settlers arriving in the 1700s and establishing a lasting presence that continues to enrich the state today; and

**WHEREAS**, Jewish Americans have made significant contributions to North Carolina's economic development through entrepreneurship, business leadership, and innovation, playing a key role in building a thriving local economy; and

**WHEREAS**, the Jewish community has enriched North Carolina's arts and culture, supporting institutions, artists, and events that celebrate creativity and foster cross-cultural appreciation; and

**WHEREAS**, Jewish Americans have shaped education in North Carolina by advocating for high-quality education for all, establishing schools and scholarships, and serving as educators and mentors who inspire the next generation; and

**WHEREAS**, Jewish Americans have honorably served in the United States military, demonstrating courage, patriotism, and a commitment to protecting the freedoms we hold dear, and in government dedicating themselves to helping others; and

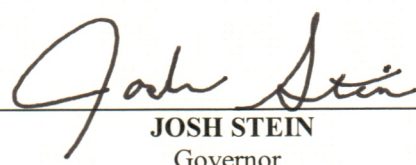
**WHEREAS**, Jewish physicians, researchers, and healthcare professionals have made critical contributions to medicine, health care, and science in North Carolina, improving lives and advancing the well-being of the entire community; and

**WHEREAS**, the Jewish community in North Carolina has established cultural institutions, synagogues, and organizations that have enriched the state's religious, social, and cultural fabric while educating and serving the public, fostering dialogue and mutual understanding among groups, and promoting a welcoming, inclusive community for all residents; and

**WHEREAS**, recognizing and celebrating Jewish American Heritage Month reaffirms our state's commitment to combating prejudice, standing against antisemitism and all forms of hate, and promoting unity among all of North Carolina's residents;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, JOSH STEIN, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim May 2025, as "JEWISH AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH" in North Carolina, and commend its observance to all citizens.



  
**JOSH STEIN**  
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 first day of May 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.