



State of North Carolina

ROY COOPER
GOVERNOR

LIBRARY CARD SIGN-UP MONTH

2024

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, libraries help people of all ages navigate the complexities of life, providing access to research, information, and government services that allow everyone to lead more abundant and purposeful lives; and

WHEREAS, libraries provide access to technology, the internet, and digital skills-training in efforts to close the digital gap, while offering materials and programming that support and sustain year-round learning for students; and

WHEREAS, libraries are welcoming spaces for people of all backgrounds to learn together and engage with one another across cultural, ethnic, generational, and economic lines, strengthening the social fabric of the communities they serve; and

WHEREAS, libraries contribute to a strong local economy by providing access to technology and training that are critical to the success of job-seekers, entrepreneurs, and students; and

WHEREAS, in times of crisis, libraries and library professionals play an invaluable role in supporting their communities both in person and virtually; and

WHEREAS, the shared resources libraries offer reduce the number of items households buy and dispose of, providing a simple way to save money, conserve resources, and reduce waste; and

WHEREAS, libraries are cornerstones of democracy, promoting the free exchange of information and ideas for all; and

WHEREAS, a library card sparks creativity and empowers all people to explore new passions and interests that help people pursue a path of lifelong learning;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim September, 2024, as “**LIBRARY CARD SIGN-UP MONTH**” 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 twenty-third day of August 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-ninth.