

# State of North Carolina

## JOSH STEIN GOVERNOR

### MILITARY SPOUSE APPRECIATION DAY

2025

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

#### A PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS,** North Carolina is home to approximately 62,000 spouses of active duty servicemembers, National Guard, and reserve soldiers; and

WHEREAS, the spouses and families of our service members make sacrifices, along with their loved ones, to help protect the freedoms we enjoy; and

WHEREAS, the spouses of our military members remain steadfast, raising their families and maintaining their homes while their loved ones defend our nation's values against our adversaries; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina offers employment preference to the spouse or dependent of a deceased or disabled veteran, and the North Carolina Department of Military and Veterans Affairs works diligently to improve and expedite occupational licensure for our military-trained and military spouses; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina recognizes the selflessness of these military spouses and the debt of gratitude we owe for their contributions to and the leadership they demonstrate in our communities; and

**WHEREAS**, the success of many of our brave service members depends on the support of their military spouses whose resolve, sacrifice, and dedication exhibit the best of what it means to be a North Carolinian;

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, JOSH STEIN, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim May 9, 2025, as **"MILITARY SPOUSE APPRECIATION DAY"** in North Carolina; and commend its observance to all citizens.



Governor

**IN WIT ESS WHER OF,** 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.