

State of North Carolina

JOSH STEIN

GOVERNOR

NATIONAL SCIENCE APPRECIATION DAY

2025

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, on March 26, 1953, American medical scientist Dr. Jonas Salk announced he had developed a vaccine against polio; and

WHEREAS, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention estimates that the polio vaccine has prevented an estimated 20 million cases of paralysis and saved more than 1.5 million lives worldwide since 1988; and

WHEREAS, science has brought to humanity vaccines, antibiotics, surgery, sanitation, increased agricultural yields, pasteurization, safe drinking water, and thousands of other interventions that have doubled the human lifespan in little more than a century; and

WHEREAS, people have experienced longer and healthier lives, greater convenience and comfort, and enhanced prosperity due to the benefits of science; and

WHEREAS, the State of North Carolina invites residents to show their appreciation for our workers in the fields of research, technology, science education, and medicine; and

WHEREAS, residents are encouraged to reflect on and share how advances in science have bettered their lives and those of their loved ones;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOSH STEIN, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim March 26, 2025, as **"NATIONAL SCIENCE APPRECIATION DAY"** in North Carolina, and commend its observance to all citizens.



JOSH STEI

Governor

IN WITHESS 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-sixth day of February 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.