

State of North Carolina

ROY COOPER

GOVERNOR

PREGNANCY AND INFANT LOSS AWARENESS MONTH

AND

PREGNANCY AND INFANT LOSS REMEMBRANCE DAY

2024

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, thousands of families are bereaved by pregnancy and infant loss in North Carolina every year; and

WHEREAS, pregnancy and infant loss includes infant death, miscarriage, stillbirth, sudden infant death syndrome (SIDS), and death of a newborn; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina wishes to acknowledge the profound, lifelong grief and loss these families experience; and

WHEREAS, today we honor and remember the pregnancies and infants lost and recognize the devastating impact on their families and loved ones whose lives are forever altered; and

WHEREAS, raising public awareness will encourage additional community support for those individuals who have suffered such an unexpected tragedy and promote necessary efforts to prevent further pregnancy and infant loss;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim October, 2024, as "PREGNANCY AND INFANT LOSS AWARENESS MONTH" and October 15, 2024, as "PREGNANCY AND INFANT LOSS REMEMBRANCE DAY" in North Carolina, and commend its observance to all citizens.

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IN WITN SS WHERE F, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of North Carolina at the Capitol in Raleigh this twenty-fifth day of September 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.