

# State of North Carolina

## **ROY COOPER**

**GOVERNOR** 

### REGISTERED ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SPECIALIST WEEK

2023

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

#### A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Registered Environmental Health Specialists in North Carolina have contributed immeasurably to the public's health and safety and to the improved quality of life in our communities; and

**WHEREAS**, Registered Environmental Health Specialists conduct important work in programs focusing on food safety, facility sanitation, wastewater disposal, safe drinking water, emergency preparedness and response, lead poisoning prevention, and infectious agents; and

**WHEREAS**, Registered Environmental Health Specialists are employed by local, state, and federal governments, schools, and industries throughout North Carolina; and

**WHEREAS**, North Carolina Public Health Departments are holding events in observance of Registered Environmental Health Specialist Week; and

**WHEREAS,** World Environmental Health Day is celebrated annually on September 26; the theme of this year's observance, *Global Environmental Public Health: Standing up to protect everyone's health each and every day*, highlights the myriad ways environmental forces impact how people eat, live, and grow; and

WHEREAS, all residents have a right to live in a healthy environment, but environmental health risks disproportionally have the greatest impact on poor communities that already have significant health care vulnerabilities; and

**WHEREAS**, the State of North Carolina commends Registered Environmental Health Specialists for their many contributions to improving quality of life for people, families, and communities throughout our state;

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim September 10 – 16, 2023, as "**REGISTERED ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SPECIALIST WEEK**" in North Carolina, and commend its observance to all citizens.

STATE OF HOME

Roy Cooper

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 eighth day of September in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty-three and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and forty-eighth.