



# State of North Carolina

**ROY COOPER**  
GOVERNOR

**SAFE + SOUND WEEK**

**2023**

**BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA**

**A PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS**, the safety and health of North Carolina workers is fundamental in preventing workplace injuries, illnesses, and deaths; and

**WHEREAS**, a 2021 report stated that the workplace injury and illness rate in North Carolina is at a historic low of 2.2 per 100 full time workers in the private industry; and

**WHEREAS**, safety and health programs prevent fatalities and injuries, improve compliance with regulations, reduce costs, and increase productivity; and

**WHEREAS**, Safe + Sound Week is a nationally recognized event that celebrates the successes of businesses that have implemented safety and health programs in the workplace; and

**WHEREAS**, Safe + Sound Week is an opportunity to improve the lives of North Carolina workers and increase awareness about the need for a strong occupational safety and health program; and

**WHEREAS**, Safe + Sound Week is an opportunity for North Carolina organizations, regardless of size or industry, to celebrate their commitment of safety to workers, customers, the public, and partners;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim August 7 – 13, 2023, as “**SAFE + SOUND WEEK**” 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 eighth day of August 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.