

# State of North Carolina

# **ROY COOPER**

GOVERNOR

#### STOP FOOD WASTE DAY

2022

## BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

### **A PROCLAMATION**

WHEREAS, the State of North Carolina is positioned as a global leader in sustainability, working to reduce its impact on the planet; and

WHEREAS, 40 percent of food produced is never eaten in the United States, contributing to more than 8 percent of the total global greenhouse gas emissions; and

WHEREAS, food waste is a vastly overlooked driver of climate change and reducing food waste is one of the most important things we can do to reduce greenhouse gas emissions; and

WHEREAS, food waste represents one of the greatest possibilities for individuals and companies to address climate change, feed more people, increase economic benefits, and preserve threatened eco-systems; and

WHEREAS, Stop Food Waste Day aims to educate people about their food waste and create impactful solutions to how people farm, produce, purchase, and use food; and

WHEREAS, creating awareness around the epidemic is a key component in fighting food waste;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim April 27, 2022, as "STOP FOOD WASTE DAY" 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 twenty-first day of April in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty-two and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and forty-sixth.