

# State of North Carolina

**ROY COOPER**  
GOVERNOR

**UNITED STATES NAVY BIRTHDAY**

**2021**

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

**A PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS**, on October 13, 1775, the Continental Congress established the United States Navy to aid in the Revolutionary War; and

**WHEREAS**, for 246 years, the United States Navy has answered the call of duty to protect this nation both in times of war and peace; and

**WHEREAS**, North Carolina is proud to be home to more than 5,000 active-duty and reserve Sailors, and their families, primarily located at Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune; and


**WHEREAS**, the unofficial motto of "Semper Fortis" and "Non sibi sed patriae" represent the longstanding tradition of our nation's sailors to put service before self; and

**WHEREAS**, the United States Navy continues to play a significant and integral role in the wealth and prosperity of our State while defending our nation; and

**WHEREAS**, in commemoration of the 246th anniversary of the establishment of the United States Navy, North Carolinians will proudly recognize the sailors and Marines who have served our country;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim October 13, 2021, as "**UNITED STATES NAVY BIRTHDAY**" in North Carolina, and commend its observance to all citizens.



  
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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 seventh day of October in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and forty-sixth.