



State of North Carolina

ROY COOPER
GOVERNOR

VIETNAM VETERANS DAY

2023

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, we honor the more than 3 million Americans who served in the Vietnam War and pay tribute to those who lost their lives due to the conflict, and we reaffirm our dedication to showing a generation of veterans the respect and support of a grateful Nation; and

WHEREAS, Americans from every corner of our Nation reported for duty during the Vietnam War, and we are grateful for their services and their sacrifices; and

WHEREAS, thousands of servicemembers returned home from the conflict, burdened by visible scars as well as the invisible wounds of post-traumatic stress, Agent Orange exposure, and memories that would never fade; and

WHEREAS, we bear witness to the more than 58,000 names etched into two faces of black granite in our Nation's Capital, a lasting memorial to those who bore conflict's greatest cost; and

WHEREAS, today, we reaffirm one of our most fundamental obligations: to show all who have worn the uniform of the United States the respect and dignity they deserve and to honor their sacrifice by serving them as well as they served us; and

WHEREAS, the State of North Carolina and our Nation are grateful for their strength and their service; on Vietnam Veterans Day, we honor their proud legacy with our deepest appreciation;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim March 29, 2023, as "**VIETNAM VETERANS 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-seventh day of March 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-seventh.