



# State of North Carolina

**ROY COOPER**  
GOVERNOR

## WORLD PANCREATIC CANCER DAY

2024

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

### A PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, pancreatic cancer is one of the deadliest cancers and is currently the third leading cause of cancer-related death in the United States, surpassing breast cancer; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2024, an estimated 66,400 people will be diagnosed with pancreatic cancer, and 51,750 people will die from the disease; in North Carolina, an estimated 1,638 will die from the disease; and

**WHEREAS**, pancreatic cancer has a five-year relative survival rate of just 13 percent; and

**WHEREAS**, when symptoms of pancreatic cancer present themselves, it is generally in later stages; only 10 percent of pancreatic cancer patients are diagnosed when the disease is confined to their pancreas, and 91 percent of pancreatic cancer patients die within the first five years; and

**WHEREAS**, there is no standard diagnostic tool or established early detection for pancreatic cancer; and

**WHEREAS**, increased awareness of pancreatic cancer is of the utmost importance since it is the seventh most common cause of cancer-related death across the world; and

**WHEREAS**, the good health and well-being of the residents of North Carolina are enhanced as a direct result of increased awareness about the symptoms and risks of pancreatic cancer, and collaborative research into early detection, causes, and effective treatments;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim November 21, 2024, as “**WORLD PANCREATIC CANCER 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 November in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty-four and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and forty-ninth.