

State of Aorth Carolina JOSH STEIN GOVERNOR

AMERICAN PHARMACISTS MONTH

2025

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, pharmacy is one of the oldest of the health professions; and

WHEREAS, today more than 300,000 pharmacists are licensed in the United States to provide services that ensure the rational and safe use of medications; and

WHEREAS, the use of medication as a cost-effective alternative to more expensive medical procedures can serve; and

WHEREAS, today's powerful medications require greater attention to the manner in which they are used by different patient population groups – both clinically and demographically; and

WHEREAS, it is important that all users of prescription and nonprescription medications, or their caregivers, be knowledgeable about and share responsibility for their own drug therapy; and

WHEREAS, pharmacists are specifically educated with a focus and level of expertise on medication therapy that exceeds that of other health care providers, and pharmacists are ideally suited to work collaboratively with other health care providers and patients to improve medication use and outcomes by providing services through medication therapy management; and

WHEREAS, pharmacists provide both expertise and accessibility, which are crucial to patients fully optimizing access to medications, and provide patient care that ensures optimal medication therapy outcomes; and

WHEREAS, the American Pharmacists Association and the Carolina Association of Pharmacy Students at the University of North Carolina Eshelman School of Pharmacy have declared October as American Pharmacists Month;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOSH STEIN, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim October 2025 as "AMERICAN PHARMACISTS MONTH" in North Carolina and commend its observance to all citizens.

JOSH STEIN

IN WI CSS WHEN OF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of North Carolina at the Capitol in Raleigh this twenty-third day of September in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty-fifth and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and forty-ninth.