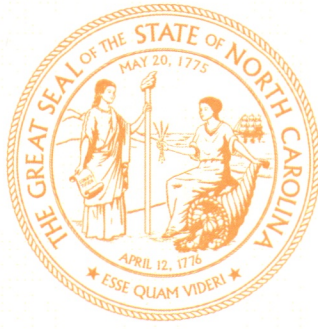




State of North Carolina

JOSH STEIN
GOVERNOR

BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

2025

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, while considerable progress has been made in the fight against breast cancer, in 2025, more than 13,000 women in North Carolina can expect to be diagnosed with breast cancer and more than 1,500 likely will die from this disease; and

WHEREAS, in the United States, there is a one-in-eight lifetime risk of developing breast cancer, the second-leading cause of cancer deaths for women in North Carolina, and breast cancer impacts Black women at a higher rate than white women; and

WHEREAS, lobular breast cancer is the second most common type of breast cancer after invasive ductal carcinoma, comprising about 15 percent of all breast cancers diagnosed in the U.S. each year, but is understudied and not well understood; and

WHEREAS, lobular breast cancer typically does not show up as a lump in the breast, making it harder to detect with screening, advanced imaging, and self-exams; and

WHEREAS, disparities such as income, education, and access to health care, along with stress and racism, are among causes of poor health among minorities on many health measures, underlying the importance of screening and early detection of breast cancer; and

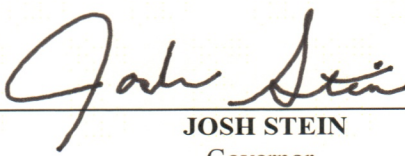
WHEREAS, the North Carolina Breast and Cervical Cancer Control Program (NC BCCCP) in the NC Department of Health and Human Services provides free or low-cost breast and cervical cancer screenings and follow-up to eligible uninsured or underinsured women; and

WHEREAS, with routine mammogram screening and follow-up testing, the disease can be detected early, which is when it can be most effectively treated to save lives; and

WHEREAS, being aware of the available health information, education, treatment, and support methods can help individuals find and receive the appropriate care and resources they need to improve their quality of life;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOSH STEIN, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim October 2025 as “**BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH**” in North Carolina and commend its observance to all citizens.




JOSH STEIN
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 sixth day of October 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 fiftieth.