

# State of North Carolina

**JOSH STEIN**  
GOVERNOR

## **CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS AND CORRECTIONAL EMPLOYEES WEEK**

2026

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

### **A PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS**, approximately 7,300 North Carolina correctional officers and correctional employees are responsible for the daily supervision and custody of more than 31,000 people incarcerated in North Carolina's state prisons; and

**WHEREAS**, North Carolina correctional officers and correctional employees continually strive to ensure safety inside and outside correctional institutions, safeguarding colleagues, incarcerated people, and the public; and

**WHEREAS**, correctional work can be demanding; the professionals who have accepted the challenge of working inside correctional institutions routinely perform their duties with exemplary courage, dedication, and pride; and

**WHEREAS**, correctional officers and correctional employees are critical changemakers when it comes to helping incarcerated people, previously incarcerated people, and people on community supervision become productive, skilled, and valuable members of their communities; and

**WHEREAS**, professionals in the correctional field train rigorously to develop and maintain the skills necessary for the safe, humane, and proficient performance of their designated responsibilities, including resolving conflicts, managing cases, and anticipating reactions to dangerous and uncertain environments; and

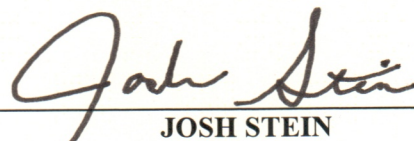
**WHEREAS**, correctional officers and correctional employees are quick to answer the call of community service, as well as to support other law enforcement personnel in need and support local and broader causes through charitable drives and volunteer work; and

**WHEREAS**, our communities are safer and more prosperous thanks to the hard work of North Carolina's correctional professionals; and

**WHEREAS**, the State of North Carolina is proud to recognize the outstanding service and dedication of its correctional officers and correctional employees; and

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, JOSH STEIN, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim May 3 – 9, 2026, as "**CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS AND CORRECTIONAL EMPLOYEES WEEK**" in North Carolina and commend its observance to all residents.



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