

# State of North Carolina

**JOSH STEIN**  
GOVERNOR

## CRIME VICTIMS' RIGHTS WEEK

2026

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

### A PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, crime can touch anyone, regardless of age, race, gender, or economic status, and its impact can last a lifetime for victims, families, and communities; and

**WHEREAS**, the rights, dignity, and respect of crime victims must be upheld and protected as they seek justice and healing; and

**WHEREAS**, North Carolina recognizes and affirms a national commitment to provide financial support to crime victims by the establishment of the Crime Victims Fund as a major funding source for compensation to crime victims throughout the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, the Governor's Crime Commission and the Crime Victims Compensation Commission serve as a conduit through which vital financial support is provided for victims' assistance and compensation programs in North Carolina; and

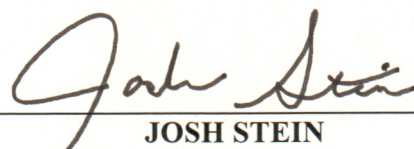
**WHEREAS**, we recognize the courage and resilience of victims and survivors of crime and reaffirm our commitment to ensuring their access to justice, support, and resources; and

**WHEREAS**, victim service providers, advocates, law enforcement, prosecutors, and community organizations work tirelessly to ensure victims of crime are treated with fairness, compassion, and respect throughout the justice process; and

**WHEREAS**, communities are stronger, safer, and more compassionate when we come together to prevent crime, support survivors, and offer a path to restoration; and this proclamation reaffirms our dedication to crime victims and survivors by letting their voices be heard and offering a future where hope and healing are restored;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, JOSH STEIN, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim April 19 – 25, 2026, as “**CRIME VICTIMS' RIGHTS 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-third day of March 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.