State of North Carolina

JOSH STEIN
GOVERNOR

GIS DAY

2026

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the State of North Carolina recognizes that the understanding, use, and application of geospatial technology is crucial to operating our infrastructure, maintaining public safety, expanding access to high-speed internet, and sustaining our natural resources, thus benefiting all North Carolinians; and

WHEREAS, geographic information systems technology allows us to see and model complex relationships and patterns to make strategic decisions for our state; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to promote GIS awareness, education, and technical training to use this rapidly developing technology to its full potential; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina acknowledges the contributions of those who have chosen GIS as their profession or as part of their discipline to improve life in our state; and

WHEREAS, having a day of GIS activities open to students, North Carolinians, and government leaders will help promote STEM education and inspire others to a higher calling to use technology for good; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina is committed to using GIS to better serve its residents and make useful geographic information open and easily available to the public as a platform for innovation;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOSH STEIN, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim November 18, 2026, as **"GIS DAY"** in North Carolina and commend its observance.

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-sixth day of October 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 fifty-first.