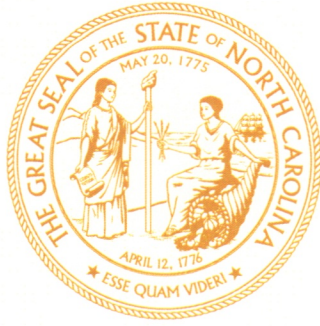




State of North Carolina

JOSH STEIN
GOVERNOR

GOLD STAR MOTHER'S AND FAMILY'S DAY

2026

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, in 1936, the 74th United States Congress passed a joint congressional resolution designating the last Sunday in September as Gold Star Mother's Day; and

WHEREAS, Gold Star Mother's and Family's Day honors the mothers, fathers, and families of fallen military service members; and

WHEREAS, the people of North Carolina recognize the countless sacrifices made by our service members and their families, especially Gold Star Families, whose service members have made the ultimate sacrifice; and

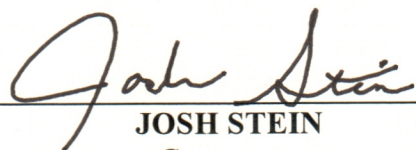
WHEREAS, North Carolina is home to some of the finest military bases in the world, including one of the largest Army installations, Fort Bragg, Marine Corps bases Camp Lejeune, as well as Seymour Johnson Air Force Base, Marine Corps Air Station Cherry Point, Coast Guard Air Station Elizabeth City, and the North Carolina National Guard; and

WHEREAS, we are grateful and acknowledge the brave men and women in uniform who died protecting our freedom; and

WHEREAS, on September 27, 2026, the State of North Carolina and the North Carolina Department of Military and Veterans Affairs honor and reaffirm our commitment to Gold Star Mothers and their families, who carry on with pride and courage despite their loss;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOSH STEIN, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim September 27, 2026, as **"GOLD STAR MOTHER'S AND FAMILY'S 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 eighth day of September 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.