

State of North Carolina

JOSH STEIN
GOVERNOR

LOCAL NEWS DAY

2026

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Americans overwhelmingly say local news is the most important and most trusted source of news; and

WHEREAS, local journalism is a foundational element of a functioning and healthy democracy; and local journalism equips communities for civic engagement and action; and

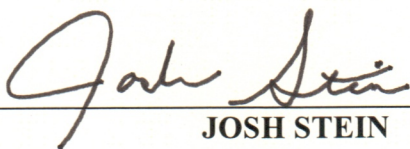
WHEREAS, states across the country are joining together to recognize and celebrate the importance of local news on April 9; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina communities rely on trusted local news for reliable, vetted information, both in daily living and in moments of crisis; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina is home to hundreds of news and information outlets, the State of North Carolina recognizes the critical importance of local news in many forms;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOSH STEIN, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim April 9, 2026, as “**LOCAL NEWS DAY**” in North Carolina and commend its observance to all residents.





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.