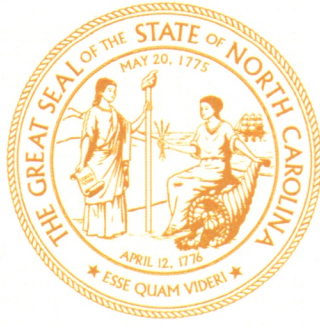




State of North Carolina

JOSH STEIN
GOVERNOR

NATIONAL VETERANS SMALL BUSINESS WEEK

2026

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, more than 1.6 million small businesses across the United States, from Main Street storefronts to American-made manufacturers that advance our economy, are important, veteran-owned pillars that drive our economy and our national success; and

WHEREAS, veteran and military spouse small business owners are dedicated to service to their country and community by upholding mission-driven values like resilience, discipline, and determination; and

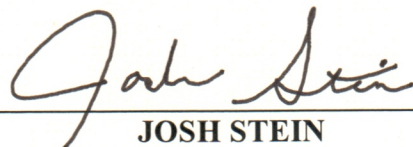
WHEREAS, North Carolina recognizes that veteran and military spouse entrepreneurs strengthen and make significant contributions to North Carolina communities and the State's economy; and

WHEREAS, National Veterans Small Business Week highlights the programs and services available to veteran entrepreneurs through the U.S. Small Business Administration and resource partners; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina supports and joins this national effort to assist America's veteran entrepreneurs to start, grow, and expand their small businesses or recover after a disaster, thereby helping our community thrive;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOSH STEIN, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim November 9 – 13, 2026, as “**NATIONAL VETERANS SMALL BUSINESS WEEK**” 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.