

State of North Carolina

JOSH STEIN

GOVERNOR

PROSTATE CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

2025

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, prostate cancer is the second most common cancer among men in the United States and second leading cause of cancer-related deaths among men in the United States and in North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, in 2025, it is estimated that 9,566 men in North Carolina will be diagnosed with prostate cancer and 1,202 men will die from this disease; and

WHEREAS, prostate cancer impacts people of all races and ethnicities, with African Americans experiencing the highest incidence and mortality rates in North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, men can reduce their risk of prostate cancer by having a healthy lifestyle, being physically active, eating healthy foods, limiting or eliminating their alcohol intake, and knowing their family history of prostate cancer; and

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Comprehensive Cancer Control Program encourages every man to talk with a health care provider to determine whether the man should be screened for prostate cancer; and if a screening results in a diagnosis, the man can learn more from a health care provider about the disease, determine treatment that considers a quality-of-life balance in accordance with the unique diagnosis, and find support groups and services in the community or online; and

WHEREAS, the state of North Carolina encourages people to become informed about cancer detection and to raise awareness, promote resources, and advocate support for men and their families affected by prostate cancer in our communities;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOSH STEIN, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim September 2025 as "**PROSTATE CANCER AWARENESS MONTH**" in North Carolina and commend its observance to all citizens.

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IN WIT LSS WHER OF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of North Carolina at the Capitol in Raleigh this twenty-first day of August in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty-fifth and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and forty-ninth.