



State of North Carolina

JOSH STEIN
GOVERNOR

WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

2026

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, North Carolina is home to generations of women whose leadership, courage, and innovation have shaped the social, economic, and cultural fabric of our state; and

WHEREAS, from the earliest days of our state's history to the present, women in North Carolina have led movements to strengthen families, expand educational opportunities, increase civic participation, protect the environment, and build safer, more prosperous communities; and

WHEREAS, the 2026 national theme for Women's History Month is "Leading the Change: Women Shaping a Sustainable Future" and honors women whose vision, advocacy, and stewardship are creating safer, more resilient communities for generations to come; and

WHEREAS, we honor the women who serve on the front lines as nurses, teachers, first responders, social workers, victim advocates, child care providers, and essential workers, as well as the countless women who provide unpaid caregiving for children, aging parents, and loved ones – whose daily labor sustains families, strengthens communities, and supports the health and stability of our state; and

WHEREAS, women's contributions strengthen our infrastructure, improve community resilience, enhance equitable access to resources, and support long-term economic growth, particularly in rural and historically marginalized communities; and

WHEREAS, during Women's History Month, we honor the trailblazers, educators, advocates, entrepreneurs, caregivers, public servants, artists, scientists, and community builders whose leadership strengthens every region of North Carolina;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOSH STEIN, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim March 2026 as "WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH" 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-fifth day of February 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.