State of North Carolina

JOSH STEIN
GOVERNOR

WORLD DAY OF REMEMBRANCE FOR ROAD TRAFFIC VICTIMS

2026

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, every year some 1.2 million people are killed in road crashes worldwide; in recent years North Carolina alone has averaged 1,675 roadway deaths and more than 114,000 injuries each year; and

WHEREAS, motor vehicle crashes are a leading cause of death in the United States for teenagers and children; and these crashes are preventable; and

WHEREAS, the average vehicle on U.S. roadways weighs more than 4,400 pounds; we all bear responsibility to focus, drive carefully, and keep each other safe; and

WHEREAS, World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims falls on the third Sunday of each November and is a globally recognized day to remember the millions killed and injured on the world's roadways; and

WHEREAS, organizations including the North Carolina Governor's Highway Safety Program, the North Carolina State Highway Patrol, North Carolina Families for Safe Streets, the Institute for Transportation Research and Education at North Carolina State University, and the North Carolina Alliance for Safe Transportation have been organizing and supporting World Day of Remembrance events on the third Sunday of November; and

WHEREAS, the State of North Carolina recognizes the third Sunday of November as World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims to raise awareness and to honor the lives lost on our roadways;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOSH STEIN, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim November 15, 2026, as **"WORLD DAY OF REMEMBRANCE FOR ROAD TRAFFIC VICTIMS"** 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.