

State of North Carolina

ROY COOPER

GOVERNOR

BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

2022

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, in 2022, more than 11,723 women in North Carolina can expect to be diagnosed with breast cancer, and more than 1,472 will likely die from this disease; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina women have a one-in-eight lifetime risk of developing breast cancer, the second leading cause of cancer death for women in the United States; and

WHEREAS, breast cancer impacts black women at a higher rate than white women; disparities in income, education, access to health care, along with stress and racism are among causes of poor health among minorities on many health measures, leading to a greater need for screening and early detection of breast cancer; and

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Breast and Cervical Cancer Control Program (NC BCCCP) in the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services provides free or low-cost breast and cervical cancer screenings and follow-up to eligible uninsured or underinsured women; and

WHEREAS, with routine mammogram screening and follow-up testing, the disease can be detected early so it can be most effectively treated and save lives; and

WHEREAS, being aware of the health information, education, treatment, and support methods available can help individuals with breast cancer find and receive the appropriate care and resources they need to improve their quality of life;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim October, 2022, as "BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH" in North Carolina, and commend its observance to all citizens.



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-nineth day of September in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty-two and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and forty-seventh.