State of North Carolina

ROY COOPER
GOVERNOR

TRANSGENDER DAY OF REMEMBRANCE

2023

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, all people deserve to live in a state that respects their dignity, safety, and overall well-being through the promotion of equal and fair treatment for everyone; and

WHEREAS, members of the transgender community are valued and productive residents of our state who contribute to North Carolina's progress and prosperity; and

WHEREAS, transgender people continue to face high levels of discrimination, fear, stigma, and bias that can fuel abuse and violence against North Carolina's transgender community; and

WHEREAS, the State of North Carolina benefits from the diversity of its population and seeks to promote inclusion of all people as a testament to our shared values of dignity, equity, and fair treatment for everyone without regard to gender identity or expression; and

WHEREAS, the State of North Carolina, through its public laws, policies, and practices, condemns acts of violence; and

WHEREAS, Transgender Day of Remembrance helps bring public awareness to hate crimes against transgender people and honors the memory of those harmed and killed by senseless acts of violence each year; and

WHEREAS, on this day of observance, North Carolina commits to moving forward together to promote inclusion, equity, and understanding of transgender people in every community across our state;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim November 20, 2023, as **"TRANSGENDER DAY OF REMEMBRANCE"** in North Carolina, and commend its observance to all citizens.

Roy Cooper
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 twentieth day of November in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty-three and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and forty-eighth.