



State of North Carolina

ROY COOPER
GOVERNOR

IN RECOGNITION OF THE OLYMPIC AND PARALYMPIC WINTER GAMES

2018

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the XXIII Olympic and Paralympic Winter Games will be held in February and March of 2018 in PyeongChang, Gangwon Province, the Republic of Korea; and

WHEREAS, the 244 athletes of the 2018 United States Olympic Team, and 37 athletes of the 2018 United States Paralympic Team, represent our nation in accordance with the values of the Olympic Movement – excellence, friendship, and respect; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina is proud to be the home state of three athletes competing for Team USA in the 2018 Olympic and Paralympic Winter Games; and

WHEREAS, world record holder and world champion long track speed skater Heather Bergsma of High Point is competing with Team USA in her third Olympic Games; and

WHEREAS, Kimani Griffin of Winston-Salem finished third in the 500-meter long track speed skating qualifying competition to join Team USA for his first Olympic Games; and

WHEREAS, Hockey Club Lugano and former Carolina Hurricane Bobby Sanguinetti of Wilmington is representing Team USA in ice hockey for his first Olympic Games; and

WHEREAS, these North Carolinians, and all the Olympic and Paralympic athletes of Team USA, will join the nations of the world in PyeongChang not only to compete, but to contribute to global unity and peace through sports; and

WHEREAS, the State of North Carolina joins the nation in supporting Team USA in the 2018 Olympic and Paralympic Winter Games;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim February 9 – 25, and March 9 – 18, 2018, **“IN RECOGNITION OF THE OLYMPIC AND PARALYMPIC WINTER GAMES”** 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 ninth day of February in the year of our Lord two thousand and eighteen and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and forty-second.