State of North Carolina

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GOVERNOR

WOMEN’S HISTORY MONTH
2019

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the 2019 national theme for Women’s History Month is Visionary Women: Champions of Peace and Nonviolence; and

WHEREAS, the State of North Carolina is proud to be home to a diverse population of women dedicated to our nation’s well-being and whose courageous efforts advance the livelihood of all people; and

WHEREAS, women make up more than 51 percent of the population in North Carolina and serve as leaders in our communities, continuing to break through the historic barriers they face; and

WHEREAS, women comprise approximately 57 percent of North Carolina’s labor force, and an increasing number of employed women in North Carolina are in managerial and professional occupations; and

WHEREAS, 2019 marks the 56th anniversary of the North Carolina Council for Women and Youth Involvement, an initiative charged with advancing and protecting the rights of women, providing a voice of influence on issues affecting women, and celebrating women’s achievement and leadership throughout our state; today, the Council continues to provide guidance on a myriad of issues facing women, including leadership advancement, violence against women, education, and economic security; and

WHEREAS, March begins a yearlong celebration entitled “She Changed the World: North Carolina Women Breaking Barriers,” which commemorates the 100th anniversary of women’s suffrage; this event is a unique opportunity for people to learn about and commend the accomplishments of the women who have made and continue to make an impact on North Carolina history; and

WHEREAS, the State of North Carolina joins in recognizing the women of our state of every race, class, and ethnic background who have contributed to the economic, cultural, and social development of North Carolina in countless recorded and unrecorded ways;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim March, 2019, as “WOMEN’S HISTORY MONTH” in North Carolina, and commend its observance to all citizens.

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-first day of February in the year of our Lord two thousand and nineteen and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and forty-second.