



State of North Carolina

ROY COOPER

GOVERNOR

WORK ZONE SAFETY MONTH

AND

WORK ZONE SAFETY WEEK

2018

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, highway workers play a critical role in improving North Carolina's infrastructure and supporting economic development; and

WHEREAS, there were 121 people killed and 25,406 crashes in North Carolina roadway work zones between 2013 and 2017; and

WHEREAS, in 2017, 38 people were killed in North Carolina work zones, including 4 pedestrians and 34 motorists; and

WHEREAS, the State of North Carolina is dedicated to enhancing work zone safety for both the highway worker and the traveling public; and

WHEREAS, safety on our roads is a shared responsibility, and all citizens must do their part to keep our highways safe; and

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Department of Transportation has a dedicated program to educate citizens on work zone safety; and

WHEREAS, to reduce fatalities and injuries, the State of North Carolina encourages motorists and highway workers to educate themselves about the dangers associated with work zones and to observe the following safety measures: stay alert; respect work zone signs, flaggers, and warnings; turn on your headlights; do not tailgate; stay in one lane; do not drive distracted; obey posted speed limits; watch for workers; exercise patience; and expect the unexpected;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim April, 2018, as "**WORK ZONE SAFETY MONTH**" and April 9 – 13, 2018, as "**WORK ZONE SAFETY WEEK**" in North Carolina, and commend 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 twenty-ninth day of March 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.