



# State of North Carolina

**ROY COOPER**  
GOVERNOR

**BLUE STAR WELCOME WEEK**

**2021**

**BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA**

**A PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS**, Blue Star Families seeks to empower military families by connecting them with their neighbors - individuals and organizations - to create vibrant communities of mutual support; and

**WHEREAS**, North Carolina is home to more than 800,000 active-duty military service members, veterans, and their families, representing nearly 10 percent of our state's population; and

**WHEREAS**, a sense of belonging is essential to the wellbeing and readiness of military families, North Carolina commits to ensuring that military-connected families feel a strong sense of belonging to our local communities; and

**WHEREAS**, we express gratitude for the sacrifices made by service members, transitioning veterans, and their families; and

**WHEREAS**, we honor the selflessness of our military and veteran families, and encourage our citizens to welcome and embrace our military-connected families into our communities;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim September 25 - October 3, 2021 as "BLUE STAR WELCOME WEEK" 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 fourteenth day of September in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and forty-sixth.