



# State of North Carolina

**PAT McCRORY**

**GOVERNOR**

**NORTH CAROLINA COMMUNITY COLLEGE  
EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION MONTH**

**2016**

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

## **A PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS**, for 53 years, the North Carolina Community College System has opened the door to education and career training for millions of North Carolinians; and

**WHEREAS**, 40 percent of North Carolina's wage-earners have attended a North Carolina community college in the past 10 years; and

**WHEREAS**, the 58 institutions of the North Carolina Community College System provide educational programs and classes to more than 730,000 North Carolinians each year, a majority of whom pursue their studies while they work and manage family responsibilities; and

**WHEREAS**, North Carolina's community college students take the benefits of excellent preparation into the workforce, into further education and into their communities, strengthening the state's economy for all North Carolinians; and

**WHEREAS**, North Carolina's community colleges provide unparalleled access to higher education, opening the doors of opportunity to those who need education the most; and

**WHEREAS**, North Carolina's community colleges are vital partners in North Carolina's workforce development system and with the business community, including small businesses; and

**WHEREAS**, students, faculty, staff, presidents and business partners who have demonstrated outstanding academic and professional efforts during the past year will be recognized as part of North Carolina Community Colleges' annual celebration of "The Great Within the 58"; and

**WHEREAS**, the State of North Carolina celebrates student, faculty, staff, president and community partners' achievements and excellence, and congratulates all award recipients who strive to reach their highest potential and help create success for their communities and their state;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, PAT McCRORY, Governor of the State of North Carolina, proclaim April 2016, as "**NORTH CAROLINA COMMUNITY COLLEGE EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION MONTH**" in North Carolina, and command 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-sixth day of February in the year of our Lord two thousand and sixteen, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and fortieth.



  
PAT McCRORY  
Governor