



# State of North Carolina

**PAT MCCRORY**

GOVERNOR

**SPRING LITTER SWEEP**

**2016**

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

## **A PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS**, North Carolinians, from the mountains to the sea, have the ability to preserve their beautiful landscapes and protect the motoring public by preventing litter and road debris; and

**WHEREAS**, drivers of pick-up trucks and trailers should secure their loads carefully to ensure no scrap of paper, beverage container or large object can blow or fall from their truck beds; and

**WHEREAS**, the general public should respect their communities and dispose of trash in proper receptacles to create safe communities on the road and in neighborhoods; and

**WHEREAS**, last year, the N.C. Department of Transportation and the N.C. Department of Public Safety removed 3,300 tons of roadside litter and the State Highway Patrol issued 686 littering citations for violations of the state littering law; and

**WHEREAS**, the state Department of Transportation welcomes citizens to participate in locally sponsored annual Spring Litter Sweep programs that clean the environment and improve the quality of life in North Carolina; and

**WHEREAS**, both the Public Safety and the Transportation departments recommend four ways the public can help prevent litter: (1) teach young people not to litter, (2) cover truck and trailer beds when transporting trash or other loose items, (3) use a litter bag in vehicles and (4) report litterbugs to the NCDOT Swat-A-Litterbug program; and

**WHEREAS**, a cleaner state is a safer state;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, PAT MCCRORY, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim April 20-23, 2016, as “**SPRING LITTER SWEEP**” 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 April 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