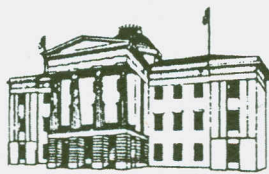


State of North Carolina



BEVERLY EAVES PERDUE
GOVERNOR

WATCH OUT FOR WILDLIFE AWARENESS WEEK

2011

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, native wildlife populations are an integral part of North Carolina's natural environment and serve as an indicator for the overall health of North Carolina's ecosystem; and

WHEREAS, each year in the United States, more than 200 people are killed in wildlife-vehicle collisions, 26,000 people are injured and more than 1.5 million animals are hit on roads; and

WHEREAS, the cost to property damage from these collisions is more than \$1 billion; and

WHEREAS, watching wildlife is a favorite pastime for residents and visitors in North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, increased understanding of the role migration corridors play in wildlife movement is critical to keeping North Carolina roads safe and to protecting our wildlife;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BEVERLY EAVES PERDUE, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim September 19-24, 2011, as "**WATCH OUT FOR WILDLIFE AWARENESS WEEK**" in North Carolina, and commend its observance to all citizens.



A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Beverly Eaves Perdue".

BEVERLY EAVES PERDUE

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 eleven, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and thirty-fifth.