State of North Carolina

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GOVERNOR

NORTH CAROLINA PACE MONTH
2019

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, North Carolina’s elderly population and its need for medical care is growing rapidly, with a significant impact on health care costs; and

WHEREAS, PACE (Programs of All-inclusive Care for the Elderly) is a fully integrated, comprehensive model of care which allows older adults who qualify for nursing home level of care to continue living in the community; and

WHEREAS, individuals enrolled in PACE receive all Medicare and Medicaid covered items and services, as well as additional supports which promote well-being and greater independence; and

WHEREAS, PACE programs assume full financial risk for all medical care and related services – including transportation, hospitalization and long-term care – in return for capitated payments from Medicare and Medicaid, thereby controlling costs for the state; and

WHEREAS, PACE is a model for managed care, having demonstrated improved health outcomes and greater satisfaction for its participants; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina’s first PACE programs opened in 2008, and 11 PACE programs now operate in 12 sites: Elderhaus in Wilmington, Piedmont Health SeniorCare in Burlington and Pittsboro, LIFE St. Joseph of the Pines in Fayetteville, PACE of the Triad in Greensboro, PACE@Home in Newton, Carolina SeniorCare in Lexington, PACE of the Southern Piedmont in Charlotte, Senior CommUnity Care of NC in Durham, Senior Total Life Care in Gastonia, Staywell Senior Care in Asheboro and CarePartners PACE in Asheville; and

WHEREAS, the North Carolina PACE Association was formed in 2011 to support the development, expansion, success and quality of PACE programs throughout the state and works to advance PACE, thereby transforming healthcare in North Carolina;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim September, 2019, as “NORTH CAROLINA PACE MONTH” 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-eighth day of August in the year of our Lord two thousand and nineteen and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and forty-second.