



State of North Carolina

PAT MCCRORY

GOVERNOR

SMOKING IN THE FOOTHILLS

2016

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Smoking In The Foothills, Inc., is hosting the 2nd Annual Smoking In The Foothills Barbecue Competition in Historic Downtown Lenoir; and

WHEREAS, the Smoking In The Foothills Barbecue Competition is a sanctioned event of the Kansas City Barbecue Society (KCBS) and will draw contestants from all over the State of North Carolina and our nation to participate in this annual event; and

WHEREAS, the Smoking In The Foothills Barbecue Competition is expected to draw tens of thousands of people to the Foothills of North Carolina and Historic Downtown Lenoir; and

WHEREAS, the American Royal Invitational Cook Off and The Jack Daniel's World Championship Invitational Barbecue are the highest honors of the KCBS and are open to all state-sanctioned championship barbecue contests; and

WHEREAS, the grand champion of the Smoking In The Foothills Barbecue Competition will receive an invitation to the American Royal Invitational Cook Off and also be eligible for The Jack Draw; and

WHEREAS, the Smoking In The Foothills Barbecue Competition will increase tourism in Caldwell County and throughout the Foothills of North Carolina and aid in its economic impact; and

WHEREAS, this event shall be classified as a North Carolina State Barbecue Championship;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, PAT MCCRORY, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim October 14-15, 2016 as **"SMOKING IN THE FOOTHILLS"** 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 eighth day of March 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