

*Proclamation*  
*Lineworker Appreciation Days: April 13 and April 18, 2026*

**WHEREAS**, on Jan. 3, 2017, the 115<sup>th</sup> Congress of the United States adopted House Resolution 10, recognizing lineworkers, the profession of lineworkers, the contributions these brave people make to protect public safety, and expressing support for designating April 18 as National Lineman Appreciation Day; and

**WHEREAS**, on April 15, 2015, the North Carolina General Assembly ratified House Bill 140, which designates the second Monday in April of each year as Lineworker Appreciation Day in North Carolina; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council of the City of Elizabeth City celebrates the profession of electric lineworkers and wishes to honor its electric department personnel for their exemplary service to the City of Elizabeth City and its citizens; and

**WHEREAS**, public power utilities employ electric lineworkers, the men and women responsible for building and maintaining the distribution lines that bring electricity to homes and businesses; and

**WHEREAS**, this profession demands passion, dedication, and ongoing training, requiring lineworkers to maintain power lines around the clock to ensure they provide safe, reliable energy to the community; and

**WHEREAS**, lineworkers are often first responders during storms, working to repair any broken or damaged electric lines, often under hazardous conditions, to make the area safe for other public safety heroes; and

**WHEREAS**, lineworkers play a vital role in the lives of our citizens by maintaining and growing our electrical infrastructure, risking their lives by working with the many dangers of high-voltage electricity; and

**WHEREAS**, the lineworkers of the City of Elizabeth City's electric utility, their devotion to safety, and their example of service above self are deserving of the respect, admiration, and appreciation of all the citizens of the City of Elizabeth City; now, therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED**, I, E. Kirk Rivers, Mayor of the City of Elizabeth City, do proclaim that the City of Elizabeth City joins with all North Carolina public power communities and all public power systems in the United States in these celebrations of Lineworker Appreciation Days.

Adopted this 13<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2026.

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E. Kirk Rivers,  
Mayor

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April Onley, NCCMC  
City Clerk

