WHEREAS, the Take Our Daughters and Sons To Work Foundation operates the Take Our Daughters and Sons to Work Day to help our nation’s daughters and sons reach their full potential in school, in family life, in the community, and in their future work lives; and

WHEREAS, Take Our Daughters and Sons to Work Day is making a positive difference in the lives of our youth through creating a wide range of experiences to instill the confidence necessary to acquire the skills and attitudes to live full lives; and

WHEREAS, for eighteen years the program has designed and promoted activities that encourage girls and boys to think about how their dreams for the future, both for their work and family lives, can be realized; and

WHEREAS, through this educational experience, girls and boys begin to see the connection between studied subjects like math, English, and science, and how they are applied to the “real” world, and as a result, they are given the opportunity to explore the workplace and apply the experience to their everyday studies; and

WHEREAS, the program exposes girls and boys to a wealth of job possibilities and future opportunities, it also maintains its commitment to ensure that all our nation’s daughters and sons have a chance to participate in the program; they will see people of different genders, race and backgrounds in many different roles; and

WHEREAS, this program is a public education campaign that amplifies the voices of girls and boys, shares the vision of our nation’s daughters and sons for a better future, and works to help girls and boys make their vision of today their reality of tomorrow;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BEVERLY EAVES PERDUE, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim April 22, 2010, to be “TAKE OUR DAUGHTERS AND SONS TO WORK® DAY” in North Carolina, and urge all businesses and organizations to support the program and its participants, enabling students to realize their full potential and reach their dreams.