



Office of the Speaker
North Carolina House of Representatives

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SPEAKER

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Dear Governor Cooper,

Thank you for your continued service to North Carolina through the unprecedented challenges of the Covid-19 pandemic. As our state economy continues to slowly reopen with appropriate safety measures in place, I write to urge you to modify your Executive Orders to permit Charlotte Motor Speedway to host NASCAR races without fans on Memorial Day weekend.

NASCAR has affirmed its intention to return to racing in May, and the Coca-Cola 600 offers an excellent opportunity to host a historic event in our state while prioritizing health and public safety by holding the race without fans.

Our state must find appropriate measures to reopen our economy and begin a full recovery as soon as possible. Allowing NASCAR to return Memorial Day Weekend without fans would not only benefit the motorsports industry that calls our state home, it would mark a rebeginning for North Carolina's tourism, entertainment, and service industries that are desperate to open for business.

Other states like Florida have stepped up to invite NASCAR to return in a safe manner as soon as practicable. North Carolina should take this opportunity to show our state will take commonsense safety measures to reopen our economy and renew a sense of normalcy for millions of citizens who are hurting.

I urge you to amend your Executive Orders to permit Charlotte Motor Speedway to host the Coca-Cola 600 and accompanying races on Memorial Day Weekend.

Sincerely Yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "T. Moore", followed by a long horizontal line.

Tim Moore
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