



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

HEALTH IT WEEK

- WHEREAS: The State of Georgia has placed an emphasis on establishing itself as a preeminent center for health information technology in the United States; and
- WHEREAS: Health care information technology has been shown to improve the quality and safety of the delivery of health care in the State of Georgia. The information technology and management systems have been recognized as essential tools for improving the quality and cost efficiency of the health care system; and
- WHEREAS: The Center of Information Technology Leadership estimated that the implementation of national standards for interoperability and the exchange of health information would save the United States approximately \$77,000,000,000 in expenses relating to health care each year; and
- WHEREAS: September 12-16, 2011, is National Health IT Week. Companies like Medical Electronic Attachment - a Georgia-based and nationally prominent leader in electronic medical documentation - are supporting this initiative in order to improve public awareness relating to the potential benefits of improved quality and cost efficiency that the health care system could achieve by implementing health information technology; now
- THEREFORE: I, NATHAN DEAL, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim September 12-16, 2011, HEALTH IT WEEK in Georgia.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 25th day of August in the year of our Lord two thousand eleven.



Nathan Deal

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

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