



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

ALPHA-1 AWARENESS MONTH

WHEREAS: Alpha-1 Antitrypsin Deficiency (Alpha-1) is a common and serious hereditary disorder that can result in life-threatening liver disease or lung disease in children and adults; and

WHEREAS: An estimated 100,000 Americans have Alpha-1 and an estimated 25 million people in the United States carry at least one deficient gene that causes Alpha-1. Certain carriers may pass this gene on to their children; and

WHEREAS: During the month of November, an awareness campaign will take place in Georgia, and throughout the country, to educate the public on Alpha-1 detection and treatment since it is often difficult to diagnose; and

WHEREAS: It is important to increase awareness and detection of this serious hereditary and misdiagnosed disorder; now

THEREFORE: I, NATHAN DEAL, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim November 2014 as ALPHA-1 AWARENESS MONTH in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 5th day of November in the year of our Lord two thousand fourteen.



Nathan Deal

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

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