



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

CARIBBEAN AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

WHEREAS: Emigration from the Caribbean region to the American Colonies began as early as 1619 and, since that time, millions of people have come from the Caribbean to the United States; and

WHEREAS: People of Caribbean descent reside in every part of the United States and have influenced American culture, society, and government; and

WHEREAS: The State of Georgia is one of the most culturally-enriched and diverse states in the Southeastern United States and is the home of many Caribbean Americans; and

WHEREAS: There have been many famous and influential Caribbean Americans in the history of the United States, and Caribbean Americans have contributed greatly to education, fine arts, business, sports, science, and many other areas, positively affecting the lives of all citizens in this state; and

WHEREAS: Caribbean Americans have played an active role in the civil rights movement and the labor movement, and they continue to make important contributions to social and political issues facing Georgia and our nation; now

THEREFORE: I, NATHAN DEAL, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim June 2013 as CARIBBEAN AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 18th day of April in the year of our Lord two thousand thirteen.



Nathan Deal

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

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