



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION GOAL WEEK

- WHEREAS: The Georgia Occupational Award of Leadership (GOAL) program, an on-going statewide event since 1971, emphasizes the importance of technical education in Georgia; and
- WHEREAS: The GOAL program recognizes and rewards excellence among the nearly 185,000 students studying in Georgia's statewide network of technical colleges; and
- WHEREAS: The GOAL program exemplifies the strong partnerships between Georgia's communities, businesses and industries, and the Technical College System of Georgia, as demonstrated by these organizations' support of this distinguished statewide program recognizing the state's finest technical education students; and
- WHEREAS: Many representatives and sponsors from businesses and industries throughout our state have generously donated their time, energy, and resources to the GOAL program; and
- WHEREAS: This statewide program strives to stimulate communities' interest in and knowledge of technical education by recognizing outstanding talent while strengthening the relationship among Georgia's communities, technical colleges, and business and industry; and
- WHEREAS: The GOAL program spotlights the importance of technical education in our rapidly-changing technological society by generating greater public awareness of and appreciation for the contributions of a dynamic workforce in Georgia; now
- THEREFORE: I, NATHAN DEAL, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim the week of April 22-26, 2013, as GOAL WEEK in Georgia, and urge our citizens to join in recognizing the vital impact that a well-educated, technically trained, and highly competitive workforce has on Georgia's economic well-being.

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



Nathan Deal

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

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