



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

PARKINSON'S DISEASE AWARENESS MONTH

WHEREAS: Parkinson's disease is a progressive disorder of the central nervous system affecting more than 1.5 million people in the United States; and

WHEREAS: The American Parkinson Disease Association, Inc., founded in 1961, has sought to "Ease the Burden and Find the Cure" for this disease through research, patient and family services, education and sponsorship of more than 53 chapters, 62 information and referral centers and more than 1,000 support groups throughout the United States; and

WHEREAS: The State of Georgia observes Parkinson's Disease Awareness Month in April, providing an opportunity to bring greater awareness to this illness and focus on efforts for finding a cure; and

WHEREAS: The State of Georgia recognizes the efforts of all Georgians who raise funds and promote awareness to fight Parkinson's disease, thereby improving the quality of life for those living with this disease; and

THEREFORE: I, NATHAN DEAL, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim April 2013, as PARKINSON'S DISEASE 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 27th day of February in the year of our Lord two thousand thirteen.



Nathan Deal

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

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