BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

WORLD KIDNEY DAY

WHEREAS: There are an estimated 37 million Americans with kidney disease and 33 percent of American adults are at risk. To get the at-risk population to act, we must show them how kidney disease is relevant to them; and

WHEREAS: Kidney disease is the ninth leading cause of death in the U.S., and it is growing in prevalence. It is critical that attention be brought to this often overlooked health crisis that affects everyone with major risk factors including diabetes, high blood pressure, heart disease, obesity, and family history of kidney failure; and

WHEREAS: The National Kidney Foundation is calling on all Americans to participate in bringing awareness to kidney disease and the 33 percent of American adults who are at risk; and

WHEREAS: World Kidney Day aims to raise awareness of the importance of our kidneys to our overall health and to reduce the worldwide frequency and impact of kidney disease and its associated health problems; now

THEREFORE: I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim March 12, 2020 as WORLD KIDNEY DAY in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 7th day of January in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty.