



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

CACNA1A AWARENESS DAY

- WHEREAS:** CACNA1A is a gene that plays a vital role in the communication between neurons in the brain. It is located on the short arm of chromosome 19; and
- WHEREAS:** Mutations in CACNA1A cause a number of neurological phenotypes; and
- WHEREAS:** CACNA1A-related disorders are rare and lifelong conditions that affect the brain. Symptoms include familial hemiplegic migraine, ataxia, eye movement differences, epilepsy, and neurodevelopmental differences; and
- WHEREAS:** CACNA1A-related disorders are diagnosed with a genetic test, as differences in other genes may also cause many of the same symptoms as CACNA1A variants; and
- WHEREAS:** While there is currently no cure for CACNA1A, a genetic diagnosis can provide an answer for the symptoms an individual is experiencing and access to appropriate treatments; and
- WHEREAS:** CACNA1A Awareness Day provides an opportunity to raise awareness of CACNA1A-related disorders at the local, state, and national levels; now
- THEREFORE:** I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim March 19, 2021, as CACNA1A AWARENESS DAY in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 10th day of February in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-One.



B. P. Kemp

GOVERNOR

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