

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION
EDUCATION SUPPORT PROFESSIONALS
DAY

WHEREAS: Educational Support Professionals (ESPs) are our school bus drivers, cafeteria workers, administrative support staff, custodians, paraprofessionals, school safety officers, and other non-teaching educators in our public schools; and

WHEREAS: Education Support Professionals are integral to the education process and tirelessly serve our children and communities with care and professionalism; and

WHEREAS: Education support professionals are often called upon in times of great need to keep our schools operating with security and efficiency, though their work often goes unseen and unrecognized; and

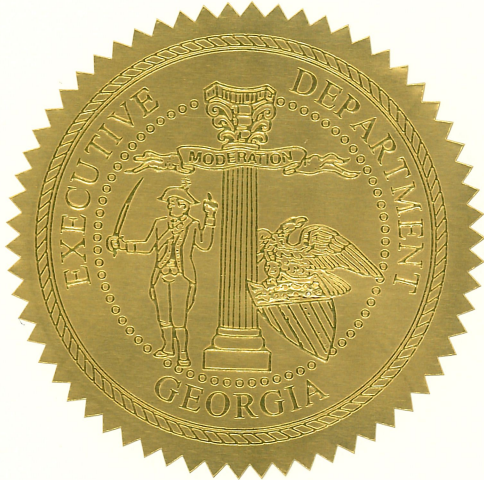
WHEREAS: Throughout the Covid-19 pandemic, ESPs have gone above-and-beyond in meeting the needs of students, parents, teachers, and our schools by meeting stringent new sanitation standards, preparing and ensuring the delivery of meals to students, assisting in providing mobile broadband services for our students in under-served areas, safely transporting our students, and countless other small ways that have been essential to the success of our students; and

WHEREAS: These dedicated individuals, more than three million strong, deserve recognition and thanks for the outstanding work they do for this state, their communities, and the students enrolled in Georgia's public schools, creating an environment that provides young people with the tools they need to become well-rounded citizens; and

WHEREAS: The State of Georgia recognizes Education Support Professionals for the role they play in our children's education, and encourages Georgians to thank their school's ESPs for all they do to foster a positive learning environment; now

THEREFORE: I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim November 17, 2021 as EDUCATION SUPPORT PROFESSIONALS DAY in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 15th day of November in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-One.



B. P. Kemp

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

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CHIEF OF STAFF