

## BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

## **A PROCLAMATION**

## **GEORGIA PEANUT MONTH**

WHEREAS: Peanuts and peanut products are recognized throughout our nation and the

world as a highly appetizing and nutritious food, providing protein and other

nutrients as part of a well-balanced diet; and

WHEREAS: The State of Georgia ranks first in the nation in peanut production, producing

nearly fifty-three percent of the country's total peanut crop in 2020. Georgia also leads the country in peanut exports, making a substantial contribution to

the economic well-being of the United States; and

WHEREAS: Peanut production is the largest single cash food row crop in Georgia, with gross

farm receipts totaling hundreds of millions of dollars; and

WHEREAS: Hundreds of Georgia companies that are engaged in warehousing, processing,

manufacturing, and marketing depend on the peanut industry. In addition, there are hundreds of other Georgia companies engaged in financing, supplying, distributing, and transporting that all depend, to some extent, on the peanut

industry; and

WHEREAS: The Georgia peanut industry greatly influences the economic growth and

prosperity of our state, contributing an estimated \$2 billion to the state's economy and supporting the livelihood of more than 150,000 Georgians; now

THEREFORE: I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim

March 2021 as GEORGIA PEANUT MONTH in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 24<sup>th</sup> day of February in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-One.



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