



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

LISSENCEPHALY AWARENESS DAY

- WHEREAS:** Lissencephaly is a rare gene-linked brain malformation, causing the brain to have fewer or no ridges and folds, making it appear smooth. It is estimated about 1 in 100,000 individuals are born with this condition; and
- WHEREAS:** People living with this condition may also suffer from hypertonia, epilepsy, swallowing disorders, developmental delays, and several other conditions; and
- WHEREAS:** Addressing these complex medical needs early in life is imperative to helping families successfully care for their children at home. There is a desperate need for more education, awareness, and support for families; and
- WHEREAS:** In an effort to bring awareness, Lissencephaly Foundation Inc. helps support individuals through their continued efforts of empowering families and educating communities; and
- WHEREAS:** Taking this day to acknowledge and learn about the existence and effects of this condition is an appropriate way to contribute to expanding knowledge for researchers, healthcare providers, parents, and those living with Lissencephaly; now
- THEREFORE:** I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim September 8th, 2021 as LISSENCEPHALY 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 27th day of May in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-One.



B. Kemp

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

Martha Kippenich

CHIEF OF STAFF