BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

MARNE WEEK

WHEREAS: The United States Army’s 3rd Infantry Division was activated at Camp Greene, North Carolina, on November 21, 1917. Since its founding, it has evolved into a premier fighting force. Known as the “Armored Fist” of XVIII Airborne Corps, the 3rd Infantry Division is the only Armored Division east of the Mississippi River; and

WHEREAS: During World War I, as a member of the American Expeditionary Force to Europe, the division earned its name as the “Rock of the Marne” when surrounding units retreated, but the 3rd Infantry Division remained. The division boasts a storied history of valorous service in World War I, World War II, Korea, the Gulf War, Iraq, and Afghanistan; and

WHEREAS: The 3rd Infantry Division is based at Fort Stewart, Fort Benning, and Hunter Army Airfield, Georgia. Its current organization includes two Armored Brigade Combat Teams, one Combat Aviation Brigade, one Division Artillery Brigade, and one Sustainment Brigade; and

WHEREAS: During Marne Week 2021, the 3rd Infantry Division will continue to remember and honor the “Dogface” Soldiers currently deployed to South Korea, various locations in the Middle East, and in continued support of COVID-19 Vaccination Task Force Missions across the United States; and

WHEREAS: In the annual tradition of commemorating the achievements, history, and esprit de corps of the Marne Division, Marne Week will be commemorated at Fort Stewart and Hunter Army Airfield from May 15-21, 2021. The week includes sports competitions, public concerts, a military ball, historical preservation events and fan educational events for “Dogface” Soldiers, families, 3rd Infantry Division Alumni, and the Coastal Georgia community; now

THEREFORE: I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim May 15-21, 2021, as MARNE WEEK in Georgia.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 9th day of April in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-One.

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CHIEF OF STAFF