



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

RED RIBBON WEEK

- WHEREAS:** The social consequences of drug and alcohol abuse affect every sector of society, especially children; and
- WHEREAS:** Red Ribbon Week is a time when communities begin campaigns to empower their citizens to fight alcohol and drug abuse in their homes; and
- WHEREAS:** The Georgia Red Ribbon Campaign, coordinated by the Georgia Department of Behavior Health and Developmental Disabilities, Division of Mental Health and Substance Abuse, is dedicated to creating a drug-free environment for all children; and
- WHEREAS:** The National Red Ribbon Campaign, held each October, calls attention to the devastating effects of drug and alcohol abuse on individuals, families, and communities; and
- WHEREAS:** Businesses, schools, law enforcement officials, service organizations, religious institutions, governments, sport-teams, and individual citizens will demonstrate their commitment to drug-free, healthy lifestyles by wearing and displaying red ribbons; and
- WHEREAS:** During Red Ribbon Week, the State of Georgia is proud to recognize the Red Ribbon Campaign, which has received national recognition as one of the most visible and effective drug awareness programs; now
- THEREFORE:** I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim October 23-31, 2021 as RED RIBBON WEEK in Georgia.

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



B. P. Kemp

GOVERNOR

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