

## BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

## **APROCLAMATION**

## WASTE AND RECYCLING WORKERS WEEK

WHEREAS:

The nation celebrates the week of June 17th as National Professional Waste and

Recycling Workers Week; and

WHEREAS:

The earliest garbage regulation efforts began in 3000 B.C. when the first landfill was

developed in Crete, where large holes were dug for refuse; and

WHEREAS:

Since that time, sanitation workers have worked selflessly and tirelessly in all types of environments and at risk to themselves, to provide sanitation services to protect communities and residents, prevent disease, and keep our communities clean, safe, and

beautiful; and

WHEREAS:

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the eradication of many diseases in the Western World is due, in large part, to higher public sanitation standards

resulting from effective garbage disposal; and

WHEREAS:

Georgia's men and women employed in the waste and recycling industries make significant contributions to the safety, health, and welfare of our residents by processing

millions of tons of garbage and recycling annually; and

WHEREAS:

Every year, the Georgia Chapter of the Solid Waste Association of North America celebrates Waste and Recycling Workers Week to honor those we depend on for the collection and proper disposal of waste, recyclables, and leaf and limbs to promote clean and tidy communities; now

THEREFORE:

I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim June 14-18, 2021, as WASTE AND RECYCLING WORKERS WEEK in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this  $23^{\rm rd}$  day of February in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-One.

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