



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

WORLD SPAY DAY

- WHEREAS:** Domestic animals have provided companionship to people throughout history. Today, companion animals offer affection and an improved sense of well-being to millions of Georgians; and
- WHEREAS:** All pet owners have a responsibility to spay and neuter their pets to ensure the health of companion animals. Proper spaying and neutering has been shown to significantly reduce pet overpopulation, an issue that costs the United States more than \$1 billion dollars per year; and
- WHEREAS:** Each year, shelters euthanize millions of healthy, adoptable cats and dogs because of an inadequate number of responsible homes to care for them; and
- WHEREAS:** Spaying and neutering also helps to eliminate or decrease several pet health problems that can be difficult or expensive to treat; and
- WHEREAS:** All of Georgia's domestic animals deserve loving homes and proper care throughout their lifetimes; now
- THEREFORE:** I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim February 23, 2021 as WORLD SPAY DAY in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 3rd day of February in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-One.




GOVERNOR

ATTEST


CHIEF OF STAFF